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Italy Arrests



Survivors of a Serb artillery assault emerging Wednesday from their forest hideout as United Nations military observers reached the besieged Bosnian village of Zepa and began evacuating the wounded from the Muslim enclave.

# **Continental** Places Huge Plane Order With Boeing

SEATTLE - Continental Airlines gave a boost to Boeing Co. on Wednesday, ordering 92 jets for \$4.5 billion and taking

options on an additional 98 planes. The carrier, which emerged from hankruptcy protection last month, has said it needs to modernize its fleet of 318 planes. now a mosaic of eraft from the many airlines folded into Continental in the 1980s. Its fleet is, on average, four years older than those of its larger competitors.

Much of the order replaces purchases planned before Commental filed for bankruptcy protection. But the announcement stands out as some rare good news for the acrospace industry at a time when many carriers have cut back their orders. Continental placed the previous orders in 1989 and 1990, before it filed for bank-

ruptcy reorganization in December of the latter year. The order will not affect Boeing plans

announced in January to lay off thousands of workers this year, said Richard Albrecht, executive vice president of Boeing Commercial Airplane Group.

Continental canceled a \$2 billion con-

tract to buy A-330 and A-340 jets from Airbus fudustrie shortly before exiting

bankruptcy protection.

The Boeing deal includes previous Continental orders for 50 737s and 25 757s, and new orders for 12 767-300ER widebody planes and five of Boeing's newest

model, the 300-passenger 777.

The 12 767s and five 777s on order are to be powered by General Electric engines. and Continental's 50 737s are to be. powered by engines made by CFM International, a joint venture between GE and the French national engine maker Snecma.

All of the planes are twin-engine aircraft. GE said the Continental order for engines to power the 67 aircraft is worth about \$725 million. The rest of Continental's order, 25 757s, are to be powered by Rolls-Royce PLC engines.

Boeing's stock rose 37.5 cents a share on the New York Stock Exchange, to \$39,375. One analyst said the order could boost Boeing's stock price by as much as \$1. even though it had been expected. "The good news is that Boeing is getting

more orders," said Peter Aserius, who follows the company for First Boston Corp. With most of the deliveries scheduled for

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lations and thumbed it until its cover was

# Intervention in Bosnia: Clinton Mutes His Fervor

By Paul F. Horvitz

wASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton, while signaling his willingness to send observer treopy to Macedonia, is sharply toning down his Bosnia policy in recognition that his gettough approach has met a stone wall in Europe and political barriers at home.

In remarks Wednesday, the president emphasized the need to "contain" the conflict to Bosnia; referred to "to as a "civil war"; stated that it was a "furpnesse issue" and declared.

that it was a "European issue," and declared that the American public would appreciate his "clear, disciplined restraint" in the use of U.S. military force.

unilateral intervention, saying the United States "is not about to act alone and should not aet alone" in the Balkans.

In contrast, Mr. Clinton's previous statements emphasized the need for Europe and the United States to agree quickly on strong addi-

tional measures to halt "ethnic cleansing" and alter the military balance of power, which fa-vors the Serbs. At the same time, White House sources said privately that the president wanted to use bombs to keep the Serbs at bay anti-Muslims could be properly aimed, their pull-out-

Wednesday by The Washington Post, acknowledged the "mixed signals" by the White House,

the peace once a peace plan is in force.
On Wednesday, the president told a television interviewer. "You'll see, over the next few days, that we'll be able to take some more steps

on the Macedonia question. U.S. air power against Serbian artillery or pres-sure to end the UN arms embargo in the region.

from threats to use force and toward a far more from threats to use force and toward a far more incremental, circumspect approach. The president all but acknowledged his failure to sway Europe when he said Wednesday: "I haven't changed anyone else's."

Senator Richard G. Lugar, Republican of Indiana, who met with Mr. Clinton on Tuesday night on Bosnia, said the president "has a plan that he has been pushing steadily — and I emphasize that word."

At the same time, he said, Mr. Clinton is

At the same time, he said, Mr. Clinton is talking "about the need to contain the disaster

the last few days precludes the eventual use of cials in the administration of President George See BALKANS, Page 2

Fuel tankers and other trucks passed unre-stricted from Serbia into Bosnia. Page 2.

International Herald Tribune
WASHINGTON — President Bill Clinton,

ing troops on the ground in the Balkans. But it would also seem to conflict with the administration's previous assertion that U.S. ground troops would be used in the region only to keep the U.S. military.
One American official, quoted anonymously **NEWS ANALYSIS** 

saying that there was a difference of opinion nong aides as to what the president desires. possibility of sending a small American ground force to Macedonia, the Belgrade government's southern neighbor, as a deterrent to expansion of the conflict. The forces would act strictly as

UN border mouitors, joining other UN troops

There are more and more reports of such

that will make peace more likely and will make the confining of the conflict more likely." An aide said no final decision had been made

The move would fulfill the new containment

policy and appears to meet recent European demands that the United States join it in plac-

Mr. Clinton's spokesman insisted Wednes-day that "everything is still on the table." But the tone and direction of White House

# For China's Workers, Job No Longer Lasts a Lifetime

By Sheryl WuDunn
New York Times Service

WUHAN, China — A shy, 30-year-old wom-an with pigtails, Ms. Zhang figured that social-ism might not make her rich but that it would at least guarantee her an "iron rice bowl," a job that would feed her for life.

Now she is wiser — and unemployed.

"What am I supposed to do?" Ms. Zhang, who would not give her full name, said as she

finally allowing the iron rice bowl to crack into pieces. State-run enterprises across the country are laying off millions of workers, increasing economic efficiency and risking labor unrest. Here in Wuhan, a sooty industrial city of 7

knitted a sweater for her daughter. "Of course f was upset. It's very hard to get used to."

For the first time since the Communists installed their system in China, the government is

million people in central China, trate workers

violence. After an electronics factory in Beijing laid off several hundred workers over several months, some smashed an Audi driven by the

er who had laid them off.

Nevertheless, the government seems determined to proceed with layoffs among its 108 million state workers. The coal industry has

said it plans to lay off 400,000 workers over the next three years, and the central government says it will lay off one-fourth of its 34 million The crosscurrents of change collide in places like Wuhan Iron & Steel Corp. The company employs 120,000 workers and is planning to let

A giant statue of Mao Zedong welcomes

have already demonstrated what they think of employees into the sprawling factory com-layoffs. Several workers killed a factory manag-pound each day, but Mao's spirit seems to be gone. Instead, the factory managers are looking for productivity and profits. They say they are trying to raise their productivity from an annual output of 40 tons of steel per worker to the Japanese standard of 800 tons.

> Most of those whom the company plans to lay off do not work in steel-related jobs. For example, the state enterprise employs 8,000 teachers and administrative officers to run 40 schools for its workers and their families.

> In early 1992, it was fashionable among the Chinese authorines to call on state factories to "break the three irons": the iron salary, meaning inflexible wages; the iron chair, or perma-neut jobs for officials, and the iron rice bowl, or lifetime jobs for ordinary laborers. But leaders now say that breaking the three irons is unreal-istic.

China has not yet set up a system of social security or unemployment benefits, but so far the layoffs have not created a class of homeles people. Reuts are low, the state almost never evicts tenants, and unemployed workers lean on close-knit family ties for housing and finan-

cial support.

"We are still a socialist country," said Li Pan, deputy secretary-general of the Wuhan munici-pal government. "We can't just throw people mto the streets. We must give them a way out. If they can't move from one iron rice bowl to another, we have to at least give them a rice bowl made of mud."

Wuhan Steel refuses to use the term layoffs and insists that it is "transferring" or "setting aside" a number of workers who would be

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# **Head of Top Public Firm** In Scandal **Investigation Continues**

To Link State Industries To Corruption Charges

By Alan Cowell

New York Times Service

ROME — The head of ftaly's biggest public corporation — with interests from banks and supermarkets to Alitalia, the national airline was arrested Wednesday on corruption charges as the country's 15-month bribery investigation

pressed deeper into the vast state industries that have yielded rich seams of political patronage. The official, Franco Nobili, head of the giant. Istituto per la Ricostruzione Industriale, was arrested in Rome and transferred to San Vittore prison in Milan, investigators said.

His detention came one day after the arrest of two members of Italy's former Communist Party, including its former administrative sec-retary, Renato Pollini, a high-ranking figure for

The former Communist Party, now renamed the Democratic Party of the Left, has vigorousthe Democratic Party of the Left, has vigorous-ty protested its innocence in the scandal, as it seeks to position itself as an untainted player, looking to electoral gains in the future as a, model of probity.

But it is now accused of taking kickbacks

from the state railways in a complicated scheme that shared illicit earnings between major political parties — including the former Communists' electoral foes, the Christian Democrats

The developments in the scandal coincided with an important endorsement of the two-week-old reformst government of Carlo Azeg-lio Ciampi, Italy's 52d postwar administration, which won a 162-to-36 vote of confidence in the Schate on Wednesday after winning a similar ballot in the lower house last week.

The new government took office after a referendum showed a huge majority of Italians in favor of change to rid themselves of a postwar, political system that nurtured widespread cor-

notion. Since February 1992, some 1,500 husiness-men and politicians have been arrested or interrogated in connection with the payment of bribes to politicians and their parties in return for public-works contracts.

Mr. Ciampi, the former governor of the cen-tral bank, has committed himself to rapid reforms leading to new elections.

But the continuing hectic pace of the "mani pulite" ("clean hands") investigation into wrongdoing among the country's political and business elite reinforced the impression among political analysts that promised economic re-

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#### Some Big IRI Holdings

The head of Istituto per la Ricostruzione Industriale France Nobili, right, was arrested Wellnesday. Below are IFI's principal foldings with percentage:

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Jonnaie (shipping) 100% RAN (television) 100% falls 86.4%

Credito frafiano ..... 58% Banca di Roma 15.7% SME (lood) 66%

tet (telecommunications) 52%

Banca Commerciale Italiana 54%

Finnecianica (engineering) 94%. In total, the group's companies employ about AOLOOO people and had sales last year of about 80 killion fire (\$55 billion) or about 8% of faily's GDP.

# German Labor Strife Escalates

By Marc Fisher

Washington Post Service BERLIN - More than 300,000 workers

throughout Germany took to the streets Wednesday in a quickly escalating showdown between unions determined to protect postwar gains and employers eager to halt a deepening

Ten days into Eastern Germany's first strike in more than half a century, workers in three states in the East voted overwhelmingly to join the job action, while West German workers staged warning strikes in sympathy with their Eastern brethren. The strike began after employers unilaterally

canceled a two-year-old contract that promised Eastern workers a 26 percent pay raise this spring and parity with wages in Western Germany by 1994.

The strike, a potentially fatal blow to many Eastern companies that have proven unable to compete in the new market economy, is also a watershed in German labor relations, a level of confrontation not seen since the 1920s.

"In 1928, we suffered the same conditions as now," said Manfred Foede, a leader of IG Metall, Germany's largest union, at a raily here Wednesday. "Mass unemployment, a trend

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#### Kiosk

#### U.S. to Cancel African Debt

ABfDJAN, Ivory Coast (AP) — President Bill Clinton plans to write off hundreds of millions of dollars in African debt, a senior American official said Wednesday.

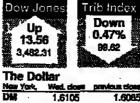
Eighteen of the poorest African countries could have 50 percent of debts owed to the U.S. government written off, Lawrence Summers, undersecretary of state for international affairs, said in an interview He criticized Africa for spending on arms rather than health

#### and education. Page 8. Down Up 13.56 0.47%

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# Citizen Gorbachev's Travels Left South America Reeling

By Don Podesta
Washington Post Service

BUENOS AIRES - A tour of Latin America by Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the former Soviet president, last November and December turned into such an expensive extravaganza that it bankrupted the Argentine organization that spousored it, the Colloquium Foundation. Last month, the foundation's director, Jorge

Romero, killed himself in suburban Buenos Aires.

The visit of Mikhail Gorbachev to Latin America, organized by the Colloquium Foundation — over which I preside — culminated in a financial debacle," Mr. Romero said in a suicide letter. Mr. Gorbachev expressed dismay at the death, which punctuated a trip that by some accounts came a cropper because Citizen Gorbachev was still too much inclined to travel in the style of a

president Mr. Romero, a former high-ranking Foreign Ministry official whose organization had brought other well-known speakers to Argentina, said in the letter that he had sunk all his personal funds into his foundation, which did not have the resources to cope with the cost of Mr. Gorbachev's visit. Mr. Gorbachev's own foundation sent a letter

On the Argentine leg of the trip, Mr. Romero's foundation took in about \$500,000, \$400,000 of it from Mr. Gorbachev's appearance on two television talk shows, according to an accounting sub-

mitted to a bankruptcy judge. But the Argentine foundation spent more than \$800,000 - \$230,000 on airline tickets alone - resulting in a loss of more than \$300,000.

In Brazil, Mr. Gorbachev's tour lost about \$40,000, and in Chile about \$50,000, according to the vice president of Colloquium Foundation, José In Mexico, it cleared about \$400,000 before taxes. But Mr. Mothe said that the bankrupt orga-

nization had seen none of that money and that it was being held up by the Mexican tax anthorities. Mr. Romero's associates at the Argentine foundation do not fault Mr. Gorbachev personally for the financial losses, much less for Mr. Romero's

SUICICIE. "The villain is not Mr. Gorbachev," Mr. Mothe

Alexander Likhotel, a spokesman for Mr. Gorbachev and one of the organizers of his visit, showed in Moscow what he said was a copy of the agreement with Mr. Romero stating that any profit from the visit was to be split 50-50 between the Gorbachev Foundation and Mr. Romero's organi-

"We did not make anything out of the trip," be

Mr. Likhotel also said that none of the money raised from such trips went to Mr. Gorbachev

#### Ultimate Joyride: He Took the A Train By Kimberly J. McLarin creased. He hung Transit Authority posters in on a nearly three-and-a-half-hour ride on Sat-

NEW YORK - Sixteen-year-old Keron Thomas's obsession with subway trains did not begin in early childhood because in early childhood he was in Trinidad, and Trinidad does not

song voice: "Next stop, Franklin." have trains. But, oh, when he got to New York. All this made Jacquelin Thomas realize that He fell in love with the cruising, squealing maybe her son was becoming a bit obsessed, she monsters. He sometimes rode them just for fun. said. Still, she said, she was stunned when He hung around subway stations and learned transit policemen arrived at her apartment on the lingo of the motorman. He got his hands on Monday night and announced that they were arresting her son for impersonating a subway motorman and taking thousands of passengers the Transit Authority's book of rules and regu-

He would stand for hours near the front window of his family's Brooklyn apartment.

holding a piece of wood and pretending it was a brake handle, calling out the stations in a sing-

"It's a very stupid thing he did," Ms. Thomas said. "I apologize for all the people, all the

2.000 people who rode the train. I very much feet sorry, and I apologize for them. Keron Thomas was charged as an adult with reckless endangerment, a felony that carries a maximum sentence of seven years, as well as

forgery and criminal impersonation. Transit officials said Keron took command of the A train at 3:58 P.M. on Saturday at the terminus, where the train's crews are assigned, He had called the station several hours earlier,

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# Serbs Allowing Fuel Tankers And Other Trucks Into Bosnia

By David Ottaway Vashington Past Service

RACA, Yugoslavia — Serbian authorities are allowing fuel tankers and other trucks to pass morestricted at the border post here into northern Bosnia, despite Serbia's declaration last week that it was cutting off all trade other than food and medicine to its Bosnian Serb

· At least haif a dozen large fuel tankers and a score or more of other trucks were seen crossing at Raca into Bosnia during a five-hour visit Wednesday to Bijeljina, the transportation head in the northeast corner for the whole eastwest corridor that Bosnian Serb forces are seeking to secure across northern Bosnia

. The volume of truck traffic here appeared to raise serious questions about whether President Slobodan Milosevic of Serbia is acting to enforce the blockade of Bosnia, po-tentially the most forceful action he has announced to date in his attempt to pressure Bosnian Serbs into accepting a UN-backed peace plan for Bosnia.

President Bill Clinton and West European leaders have acknowledged they are relying heavily on Mr. Milosevie to use his political influence and other points of leverage such as the blockade to force the Bosnian Serbs into joining the

The UN Security Council is considering a plan to place interna-tional monitors on all border crossing points between Serbia and Bos-dia to ensure that Mr. Milosevie is keeping his promise. The New York Times reported. The council was to meet to consider a Russian draft resolution that could send up to 500 observers to monitor traffic moving through 48 crossing

Crippling of the transportation system by carting off the flow of gasoline and other fuel into Bosnia

Bush, say they fear the United

States will appear dangerously impotent if it does not follow through

. What may allow Mr. Clinton to

avoid suggestions that his Balkan policy is in disarray and his threats are empty is that neither be nor any

top official has publicly articulated

the get-tough strategy of arming Muslim fighters and employing

limited air strikes against Serbs.
This policy was sketched to re-porters in briefings by administra-

tion officials who spoke on the con-

ditioo that they not be identified. It

was also laid out by Mr. Clinton in

a phone call to Senator Bob Dole of

Kansas on Saturday, according to Mr. Dole, the leader of the Senate's

As if to justify the latest go-slow

approach, Clinton administration

in Vienna

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minority Republicans.

on threats to use force.

was possibly the quickest way of bringing home to the Bosnian Serbs the cost to themselves of bolding

out against the peace plan.
But there is so much fuel available in the Bijeljina area that the cost of gasoline is cheaper by 1 Deutsche mark (62 U.S. cents) a liter than in Serbia. An attendant at the Neskovic gas station just north of Bijeljina, where four full tankers were parked, said there was no

shortage of gasoline in the region.
Two U.S. reporters visiting the area saw more than a dozen fuel tankers either parked at roadside gas stations or passing through the

Raca border crossing.

The Serbian authorities have poked a huge loophole in the blockade by decreeing that fuel tankers "in transit" for Krajina, the Serb region in Western Crostia, will be permitted to continue using the

northern corridor.
Once inside Bosnia, however, Serbian authorities have no way of controlling where these tankers go or to whom the fuel is delivered. A oumber of trucks and an oil tanker seen crossing at Raca bad Krajina license plates.

During an hourlong stop at the Race checkpoint, the reporters saw no truck barred from entering Bosnia by Serbian police and customs

Heavy Toll in Mostar

Heavy street fighting continued Wednesday in the southwestern city of Mostar despite attempts by the United Nations to broker a new cease-fire between Bosnian Croatian and Muslim-led troops, new

gencies reported. Much of the Muslim-held section of the city was in flames as Crostian troops battled street-tostreet to break the Muslim foothold oo the west side of the Neretva River, which Bosnian Croats want as their easternmost boundary.

sources told The New York Times,

in a report Wednesday, that the

strong opposition in Europe to the

tougher U.S. policy might be insur-

mountable - even if Mr. Clinton

tried to personally impose his will.

edly cited these reasons for wait-

ing: Europe wants to see whether

President Slobodan Milosevic of

Serbia can make good on his pledge

to cut off supplies to Serbian fight-

ers in Bosnia: American public

support for U.S. military action is

weak, and Russia has insisted that

no military action be considered

until after this weekend's Serbian referendum on the UN-brokered

peace plan for Bosnia. .

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Administration officials report-

Later, Muslim-controlled Bosnian radio reported that commanders of the two armies had agreed to a cease-fire in Mostar. But the fight-

Also Wednesday, the United Nations began evacuating some of the 200 wounded from Zepa, one of six areas in the former Yugoslavia that were designed as "safe havens" last week by the Security Council. Civilians began returning from the hills to Zepa, a Mosican enclave, after having fled a Serbian assault

last week. There were these other develop-

• The United States and its European allies moved to quash the impression of a damaging trans-Atlantic dispute over how to end

Foreign Minister Alain Juppe of France said: "I'm surprised to bear talk of a split between the United States and Europe over the crisis in ex-Yugoslavia. That is not the way I see things. On the contrary, I've been struck by the quality of our conversations."

Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd of Britain acknowledged that there were differences among the Western allies on how to proceed, but that he saw no point in engaging in a trans-Atlantic shouting match.

· Bosniao Serbs said they planned to press ahead with their referendum oo the peace plan this weekend despite warnings from friends and foes alike that such a vote is absurd in a war zone. "This referendum is an unneces-

sary farce," said President Momin Bulatovic of Montenegro. The United States has sent three warships to strengthen a North Atlantic Treaty Organizatioo naval force blockading the

coast of the former Yugoslavia in support of UN sanctions, an alli-Casualties were reported to be ance spokesman said in Brussels.

BALKANS: Clinton Mutes Enthusiasm to Intervene

French later said such a reading was a misunderstanding.
Many of Mr. Clinton's remarks about Bosnia have come in off-thecuff comments. On Wednesday, be was asked about it by a New York radio talk show host, and he re-

as a positive development while the

This is a European issue. It's an issue for the world community to address. And we have worked very carefully with our allies to make the sanctions tougher and to keep the pressure on, to try to do two things: to contain the conflict and to try to

put an end to the slaughter." It is in the interest of the United States, he said, to keep the conflict

from "spilling over."

He likened the conflict to a Viet-Asked Wednesday what Washington would do if the peace plan cam-style "civil war," but also said was rejected, Secretary of State Warren M. Christopher said only that, unlike Vietnam, civilians are being killed because of religion and that the United States would "conethnicity and the United Nations is involved.

The Times reported that at least He said that Americans "will one miscue cropped up during Mr. Christopher's tour of European disciplined restraint on our part and oot creating a unilateral American involvement, but continuing The French reportedly said that they did oot reject lifting the UN arms embargo "in principle." Apparently, the United States saw this to push to end the slaughter."



The wood slivers, in a bronze box, that were sold in Paris.

# A Piece of the Cross? Slivers Fetch \$18,500

By Alan Riding
New York Times Service

PARIS - Despite warnings from o Vatican official that it is a sin to trade in relics, two slivers of olive tree said to come from the cross on which Jesus was crucified were sold for some \$18,500 in a crowded anction house here Wednesday.

Accompanying the relic were two certificates, one dated 1855 from the Varican authenticating the wood as part of Jesus's cross, and the other dated 1856 recording that it was a gift from the Patriarch of Jerusalem to Edouard Thouvezel, at the time the French ambassador to Constantinople.

The object was among decorations and documents put up for auction by Mr. Thousenel's heirs. They stipulated that proceeds from the sale of the relic should go to an association for antistic children. The auctioneer, Marie-Françoise Chochon, and the Drouot auction house also waived their fees.

Earlier. Miss Chochon said she had no idea how much the relic would fetch, but she placed the opening price at 10,000 franes (\$1,850). Higher bids quickly followed, with the sale completed 90 seconds later when a woman sitting on the front row of the auction room offered 100,000 francs.

The two pieces of wood, one-tenth and two-tenths of an inch long (2.5 millimeters and 5 millimeters), be in the form of the cross inside a tiny oval-shaped box with a crystal cover, itself only six-tenths of an incb long. The back of the bronze box carries the Vatican seal.

Wood believed to come from Jesus's cross can be found in many European churches and convents as well as in Rome, but there is no record of any having been sold before. Vatican experts have often remarked that the cross would have been massive if all the pieces of wood that claim to be relics were authentic.

In this case, the Vatican certificate is a printed sheet prepared to anthenticate all relics, with sections written by hand stating that this relic is wood from Jesus's cross and describing the box in which it is kept. The certificate carries the signatures of Constantin, Vicar General, and Carolus, Guardian of Holy Relics.

But while the Vatican's Congregation for the Divine Cult and the Discipline of the Sacraments has said that it can neither confirm nor challenge the document's authenticity, it has argued there is nothing to prove that this certificate relates to the object put up for auction.

According to other records, the relic was actually given to the wife of Mr. Thouvenel, who later became Napoleon III's foreign minister, in gratitude for France's decision to cede St. Anne's Church in Jerusalem to the local Patriarch of the Greek Orthodox Church. St. Anne's Church, built on what is believed to be the birthplace of the Virgin Mary, was in turn given to France by its then-owner, Sultan Abd Il Madjid, after French troops helped to end the siege of Sebastopol. Jerusalem was at the time part of the Ottoman Empire.

A spokesman for the Congregation for the Divine Cult said that, if this relic were genuine, canon law states that it cannot be "transferred" without special permission from the Vatican. But he acknowledged there was no legal way that Rome could prevent the

# Clinton **Population** Agency

By Julia Preston

UNITED NATIONS, New York - The Clinton administration, extending its break with Re-publican policies on birth control and abortion to the international arens, bas announced that it will resume funding of the United Nations' population program after a seven-year suspension.
Timothy E. Wirth, the chief State

Department official for population issues, said Tuesday that the United States would immediately move to become "a major if not the major" contributor to the UN Fund for Population Activities.

But he said Washington still re-garded China's birth control poli-cy, which limits couples to a single child, as "coercive" and would oot give funds for work in China.

Mr. Wirth's speech, at a plan-ning meeting for a 1994 UN popu-latioo conference to be held in Cairo, drew cheers from the audience of UN officials and diplomats and nongovernmental birth control

"It means a profound change in the attitude of the United States towards the future of the world, said Alex Marshall, spokesman for the fund. He said the agency had been "held back in our ability to provide services," especially in Af-.

The Reagan administration stopped funding to the agency in 1986 as part of its opposition to any population control programs linked to abortion. Fund officials said the agency had oever financed abortions and was barred by UN regulations from treating them as a form of birth control. But Reagan administration officials noted that some countries in which the United Nations has population programs did allow abortions.

In 1985, the year before the cut-off, the United States gave \$46 mil-lion to the fund but withheld \$10 million as a protest against China's policy. U.S. contributions to the fund's \$230 million annual budget

are expected to be about the same.

Mr. Wirth said the Clinton administration would encourage debate about abortion at the Cairo conference and would remove any limits on U.S. funding of international population projects that provide abortions.

"Our position is to support reproductive choice, including access to safe abortion," Mr. Wirth said.

#### Russia Opposes Estonian Bid to Europe Council

International Herald Tribune PARIS - Russia is trying to block Estonia's bid to join the Council of Europe, which votes on the issue Thursday, arguing that the Baltic republic is depriving its Russian minority of basic human

Foreign Minister Andrei V. Kosyrev wrote the council in Strasbourg that hundreds of thousand of Russian-speakers have lost their citizenship in the former Soviet republic, and have been excluded from the poblical process and de-prived of economic opportunities. Mr. Kosyrev said Estonia's ad-

mission into the community of democratic states "could be interpreted as international legitimation of the oppression of a non-indige-nous population," and would serve the interests of the "militant nationalism, intolerance and xeno-

phobia" emerging across Europe.

To join the Council of Europe, states must "accept the principles of the rule of law and of the enjoyment by all persons within its jurs-diction of buman rights and funda-

mental freedoms." The 26-nation assembly admitted Lithuania on Tuesday and the former Yegoslav republic of Slove-nia on Wednesday.

# WORLD BRIEFS

#### To Support Afghan Guerrillas Bombard Kabul, **Hundreds Reported Dead or Injured** KABUL (Reuters) — Guerrilla groups launched a fierce bombardment

of the Afghan capital on Wednesday, killing or wounding nearly 600 people in suburbs where thousands were taking rafuge.

More than 300 rockets or shells struck Kabul before dawn. The
International Committee of the Red Cross reported 576 injured in hospitals. Doctors reported 15 dead and said later that the figure would be much higher.

It was the hercest battle since the guernilla leaders of the Islamic coelition government signed a pact in Pakistan in March to end months of fighting. Army officers said dozens of bodies were lying in the streets in the southwestern suburbs, where government forces appeared to have launched an early morning offensive to end six days of clashes with rival guerrilla parties.

Most of the rockets were fired from positions of the Iran-backed Shi ite Islamic Coalition Council of Afghanistan and the hard-line Islamic Party led by Prime Minister-designate Gulbuddin Hekmatyar, in hills to the

#### Initial German Forces in Somalia

BONN (AFP) — Several German Air Force planes flew to Somalia on Wednesday carrying equipment before the deployment of 1,640 troops as part of the UN contingent, Defense Minister Volker Rühe said.

A total of 45 men will leave on a reconnaissance trip by the end of the week, he added. They will be the first armed German soldiers sent on mission outside the NATO sphere of operations since the federal army

was created in 1955. Sources said the German soldiers would be deployed in the center of Somalia, and not in the north as first planned. The government had insisted that the soldiers be sent to a pacified zone to avoid domestic trouble should there be deaths in the contingent, as German public opinion was divided on sending troops abroad.

#### Arabs Resist Nonstop Peace Talks

WASHINGTON (Reuters) - The United States has so far failed to persuade the Arabs to make peace talks with Israel continuous and end time-consuming bargaining about whether they will attend each round, diplomats said Wednesday.

The ninth round of Middle East talks ends Thursday and the diplomats aid American, officials were trying to persuade Israel, Syria, Jordan, Lebanon and the Palestinians to return in early June after a three-week

The officials were describing the June talks as a continuation of the minth round, rather than a 10th round, to remove the need for a high-level Arab decision on attending. Israel has already agreed to continuous

#### Indonesia Impedes 4 Trial Observers

JAKARTA (AFP) - Indonesian security men have barred a United Nations representative and three diplomats from the United States, Japan and Britain from going to East Timor to observe the trial of the independence leader José Xanana Gusmão, diplomats said here Wednes-

Two journalists, one Dutch and the other Japanese, were also stopped

Thesday despite having official permission.

The UN representative and the three diplomats, who returned to Jakarta, were able to leave Wednesday for Dill, the city in East Timor where the trial is being held, only after their respective ambassadors intervened with the Indonesian government.

#### China Honors Allied Pilots of WWII

HONG KONG (AFP) — China unveiled a monument in Kunming on Wednesday to American and Chinese pilots who fought together against the Japanese Imperial Army in World War II, the official Xinhua press agency reported.

From 1942 to 1945, thousands of allied pilots "flew the bump" from Kunming to India, ferrying supplies and men to block the Japanese advance through Burma. More than 500 aircraft and 1,500 pilots were lost, some to Japanese fighters while flying support for allied ground

troops trying to retake Burma.

Former pilots from China, the United States and Singapore attended the ceremony, Xinhua said in a report monitored here. It made no mention of the fact that Kumming at the time was under the control of Nationalist forces that later had to flee to Taiwan, nor did it say whether any of the Chinese pilots present had come from Tarwan....

China Detains Opponent of Games

BELING (Reuters) — A Chinese dissident, Qin Yongmin, said Wednesday that he had been detained by authorities for two weeks for trying to organize a campaign against Beijing's bid to host the Olympics

Mr. Qin, a 40-year-old former steelworker, said by telephone that he had been arrested in Beijing on April 23, escorted to his home in central China's Wuhan and held in detention until last Friday.

China's Communist leaders, eager to regain the respect they lost after crushing peaceful pro-democracy protests in 1989, are pressing hard to gain the 2000 Olympics for the capital.

#### Report Faults U.S. Air Power in Gulf

WASHINGTON (Reuters) — An independent report on Western use of air power in the Gulf War suggests there are still key limitations oo the ability of modern bombers and fighter jets to win wars by themselves. Highlights of the report, made public oo Wednesday, showed that while U.S. and allied fighters and bombers were devastating to Iraqi forces, most of Baghdad's chemical weapons and most of its nuclear program survived air attacks.

Prepared for the U.S. Air Force by a team of experts headed by Eliot Cohen of Johns Hopkins University, the report could have implications for any decision by President Bill Clinton and allied leaders on whether to launch air strikes against Bosnian Serbs in the former Yogoslavia.

#### TRAVEL UPDATE

The Portuguese national sistine, TAP, postponed or canceled all morning flights through Lisbou oo Wednesday as airline employees held the first of three planned half-day strikes over a management plan they say would cut pay raises and limit advancement. The financially troubled carrier has laid off more than 1,500 workers this year.

(AP)

# CHINA: The Iron Rice Bowl Is Showing Some Cracks

better suited for other jobs. In China, unemployment is such a dirty concept that Wuhan Steel has set up an employment agency to place workers. Most of its 80,000 employees who do not work in steel-related jobs will be spun off into smaller companies that are expected to operate completely on their

when you push people out on their of state workers.

Labor Bureau officials say that that at all."

The same careful efforts to adjust the balance between economic efficiency and job security is under to its unemployed. But this oumber way at factories throughout China.

Some economists say that the many employees nominally retain Some economists say that the many employees nominally retain number of unproductive workers is their jobs while they are sent home own someday.

This is not unemployment!"

Zhao Wenyuan, vice president at

Bureau says that there are only 10 culated only for the urban labor

China's unemployment rate is 2.6 percent, with 4 million workers

waiting for work." as China refers Wuhan Steel, said in horror. "Ab-million surplus workers, or less force; the 430 million rural laborers, many of whom would like factory jobs, are not counted.

A disproportionate number of the laid-off workers have been women. Factory managers regard women as burdensome because of: the need to pay maternity benefits, and so women often are last hired: and first fired. In addition, managers seem to believe that women are less likely than men to protest if

On the market street in Wuhan, laid-off women sit by displays of bowls, clothes, and whatever products that can find to sell on con-

they are dismissed.

Most of these people here have been let go," a young woman said, sweeping her hand toward the crowds of people on the street. "We're all trying to make a living."
"It's terrible," she added. "The newspapers don't report this.

# SUBWAY: Would-Be Motorman Took the A Train

#### (Continued from page 1)

giving the name and identification number of an off-duty motorman and offering to work overtime, transit officials said.

wearing blue jeans with a motorman's blue shirt. A dispatcher told him he was out of uniform but also carried the regulation equip-

ment for an operator, including a brake handle, a safety vest and a reverser key. The transit police believe Keron obtained the equip-ment by using a fake identification card at one of the authority's

stores.

"tt's not like getting behind the wheel of a Chevy and pulling away from the curb." he said. "He came almost fully equipped. You know the old saying: If it walks like a duck it's a motorman."

"Smart enough to take the train," said one neighbor.

Luis Acevedo, 15, a friend, said Keron talked about the normal things — girls, basketball and hanging out. Only occasionally did he mention how much be liked trains because they were safer and trains."

Mr. O'Leary said Keron had ap-

that he bad ever driven a train become first told him be worked as a token-booth operator in Brooklyn and seen hen, a few days ago, said the managers had decided to let him drive without a great deal of interaction with people who know how to operator in the street. That's good It's better than he wire in the street. The United States, but as nis interest in trains grew, his interest in the school wanted. "I always told him to get his high school diploma, that just knowing with people who know how to operator in the united States, but as nis interest in trains grew, his interest in trains grew, his interest in the united States, but as nis interest in trains grew, his interest in trains grew, his interest in the united States, but as nis interest in trains grew, his interest in the united States, but as nis interest in trains grew, his interest in the united States, but as nis interest in trains grew, his interest in trains grew, his interest in the united States, but as nis interest in trains grew, his interest in the school wanted." I always told him to get his high the train.

"I always told him to get his high the train." Luis said. "I believed him," Lui ate trains," Mr. O'Leary said.

In the Brownsville neighborhood where the Thomas family has lived the train."

Since coming to the United States from Trinidad in 1990, Keron is arrested in December for trespass-Transit officials said Keron was arrested in December for trespass-

known as a nice young man. He arrived partly out of uniform. kid, said Ana Acevedo, who lives in the same block of row bouses as the Thomas family and whose son

> enough to seem older if one did not look too closely at his boyish face. They said be was polite and kind, unioterested io his classes at

faster than cars, his friend said.

Brooklyn Automotive High School, but very smart. "Smart enough to take the

ing at a train yard.
"His curiosity got him in trouble," his mother said.

On Saturday, authorities said, the A train with Keron at the conhim he was out of uniform but its a friend of Keron's. "He never required him to show his got fresh with oobody."

Albert W. O'Leary, a spokesman for the transit police, said Keron as large for his age, large also carried the regulation equip.

The transit police, said Keron as large for his age, large also carried the regulation equip. 20-mile-an-bour (32 kilometer) speed limit and tripped the automatic brakes.

An inspector was summoned. After the train was restarted, the inspector drove Keron to Transit Authority beadquarters for the blood and urine tests required when a motorman exceeds the speed limit. But outside the bead-quarters, Keron refused to take the tests and fled the scene.

No one was burt in the incident. Ms. Thomas, who has two other children and works as a housekeep-er at a hotel, said her son spent Mr. O'Leary said Keron had apparently learned enough to operate the train by talking to motormen.

Ms. Thomas said her soo had also were part of a transit worker's unique to the train special pours studying subway man. spent hours studying subway manform. Luis Acevedo said Keron
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than being in the street. I really method."

# ARREST: Chief of Italy's Largest Public Company Is Held on Corruption Charges

(Continued from page 1)

equally far-reaching.

The bulk of the accusations against Mr. Nobili, 67, relate to the period from 1978 to 1989, when he led the private Cogefar construc-tion company, which investigators accuse of paying bribes in return

for power-station contracts from the state electricity utility, Ente Nazionale per l'Energia Electrica. Cogefar was taken over in 1989 by Italy's biggest private company, Fiat, which has acknowledged its implication in the scandal.

According to investigators in

Milan, however, bribes were also Mr. Nobili was thus regarded as prison on corruption charges, dent of IRI in 1989, but his execu-

form, particularly plans to priva- paid by a construction subsidiary close to Giulio Andreotti, a Christize state industries, could prove of the state's Istituto per la Ricos- tian Democrat and seven-time truzione Industriale (IRI) after Mr. prime minister, who now faces sep-Nobili took over the conglomerate arate accusations of Mafia association. Parliament is to decide Thurs-Mr. Nobili's lawyer, Giuseppe day whether Mr. Andreotti should Bana, said he was not aware of the be stripped of parliamentary imprecise accusations against his eli-munity in order to answer the

IRL set up in the 1930s by the By contrast, the state energy gi-Fascist regime of Benito Mussolini, ant Ente Nazionale Idrocarburi is the biggest employer in Italy, (ENI) was regarded as the preserve with 420,000 employees, and is a of the Socialists, whose former symbol of the debt-ridden and leader, Bertino Craxi, is also under bloated state sector that Italy's political parties carved into field of Mr. Nobili, ENI's charman, Garageous alternance of the control briele Cagliari, is in San Vittore

Completing the picture, the for-mer Communists have been ac-cused by the Milan magistrates of cased by the Milan magistrares of involvement in deals to share the spoils of corruption at both the

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According to magistrates, 72 isolated incidents are because its members.

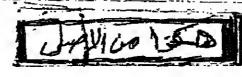
toward privatization. Traditionally, Italy's state sector, state railways and the state electric-

try's economic activity, was used The party, which was never in government and therefore had less direct access to parronage, denies the charges of systematic corruption, but it acknowledges "licely the charges of systematic corruption, but it acknowledges "licely the charges of systematic corruption."

controlling up to half of the coun-

ed incidents are being investigated, tronics and gas turbines, but its Mr. Nobili took over as presi- debt stands at some \$40 billion.

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# STATESIDE / 'DON'T ASK, DON'T TELL'

# **Senators Backing** Compromise Plan On Gay Soldiers

By Eric Schmitt

WASHINGTON - Senior Senate Democrats and Republicans are beginning to coalesce around a proposal that would end the military's efforts at unmasking homosexuals but would continue to bar them from serving if they are open about their sexuality.

Senator Sam Nunn, Democrat of Georgia, who heads the Armed Services Committee, summarizes the policy this way "Don't ask, don't tell."

It would mean that the military would not ask new recruits about their sexual orientation or conduct investigations meant to ferret out

But it would also impose a strict code of conduct that would address such questions as harassment, holding hands on base and samesex dancing. Homosexuals would not be allowed to serve openly.

The Clinton administration and gay-rights groups oppose the plan, which would essentially make per-manent an interim Defense Department policy hammered out by President Bill Clinton and Mr. Nunn in January.

It stopped the practice of asking June. recruits their sexual orientation, but still allows the armed services to place declared homosexuals in a special-reserve status until Mr. Clinton issues a new policy.

specifics, received the endorsement ready approved.

of the hero of the Gulf War, General H. Norman Schwarzkopf.

"Open homosexuality is the problem," the general, who is retired, testified at a hearing of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

He said that allowing declared homosexuals to serve in the armed forces would result in disheartened troops. Testifying in his familiar booming voice, he likened such de-moralized soldiers to the Iraqis "who sat in the deserts of Kuwait" when allied forces rolled through.

The compromise, enthusiastically received by scores of sailors whom senators interviewed at the Norfolk Navy-Base, has suddenly

Senators John W. Warner, Re-publican of Virginia, and J. James Exon, Democrat of Nebraska, lent their support to the proposal.

Defense Secretary Les Aspin must present a draft executive or-der to Mr. Clinton by July 15. The Pentagon has two groups, about 50 military officers and the Rand Corp., studying how to carry out the directive. Senior aides to Mr. Aspin say they will begin consulting with advocacy groups, military leaders and lawmakers in early

General Colin L. Powell, chair man of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and the other military service chiefs would almost certainly support the compromise, since it would codify The proposal, which still lacks the interim policy they have al-



FROM RUSSIA WITH LAUGHTER — Ronald Reagan joking with Sergei Krasavchenko, a member of a Russian parliamentary delegation that visited the former president's office in Century City, California, and presented gifts before a discussion of Russian democratic reforms.

# **Clinton Says All New Taxes** Should Be Used for Deficit

NEW YORK — Saying he does not blame Americans for distrust-

ing Washington, President Bill Clinton on Wednesday proposed putting all money raised from new taxes and spending cus into a trust fund dedicated solely to reducing the nation's buge budget deficit.

"The time has come to prove that when we say we're going to do something with the people's moncy, we actually do it, he said.

After 12 years of rising deficits and Americans' feeling deceived about the issue, I don't biame the people of this country for being distrustful about what they hear

Republicans were skeptical all the same. The Senate minority leader, Bob Dole of Kansas, called quire Congress to "put every penny the proposal, which would bave to of new taxes and the budget cuts

"The American people don't care where new taxes go," be said.
"They don't want them, period." They don't want them, period." Practically speaking, the trust allow registration alo Senator Pete Domenici of New fund would not do much more than er's license renewals.

You can put it in a box, and the truth of the matter is nobody should be fooled."

Mr. Clinton, trying to build support for his economic plan by tap-ping into the deficit-reduction theme popular with Ross Perot and from proposals already circulating

in Congress.

He spelled out his plan in a speech at the Great Hall of the Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art, which was the forum for speeches by Abra- for economic policy, ham Lincoln, Ulysses S. Grant, In a victory for M from Washington when it comes to ham Lincoln, Ulysses S. Grant, bringing down this deficit," Mr. Grover Cleveland, Theodore Roosevelt and William Howard Taft before they became president.

be approved by Congress, "just a proposed in my budget into the trust fund so the American people know that it has to go to deficit reduction."

Mexico, the senior Republican on its already required under Continue Budget Committee, added: gress's complicated system of budget reconciliation." which remains the system of the budget reconciliation. quires spending and taxes to fallwithin agreed-upon limits.

It also would not reduce the deficit any more than is already planned, about \$500 billion over!

live years. Supporters, however, hope taxhis followers, borrowed the idea payers will view the trust fund as a legally binding contract that locks in deficit reduction.

"This is a legal guarantee on what the budget reconciliation is supposed to do," said Gene Sperling, the president's deputy assistant

In a victory for Mr. Clinton on Tuesday, Senate Democrats broke a Republican filibuster and sent him legislation designed to increase He said his proposal would re-voter registration by almost 50 mil-

The vote to end the last stage of a debate that had lasted five years: was 63 to 37.

Among the provisions of the legislation is one requiring states toallow registration along with driv-

#### Wisconsin Recounts in Close Race for House

WASHINGTON - Officials in Wisconsin's 1st Congressional District began recounting the ballots Wednesday from last week's spe-cial House election. The result is expected next week.

Based on official results, Peter Barca, a Democratic state representative, defeated a Republican businessman, Mark Neumann, by

Secretary Les Aspin.

The election likely will hinge on roughly 1,100 ballots from several Republican strongholds that were never counted last week because election officials could not deter-

mine who they were for.

725 votes to fill the southeastern Wisconsin seat vacated by Defense Secretary Les Aspin. below the line for Mr. Neumann, leading Republicans to claim that they had lost on a printing error. Republicans said that after the election they discovered that in

some counties there were many more voters who signed in than were no other contests on the bal-The punchcard ballots generally lot, they concluded that the voters were punched for a vacant line just were trying to vote for someone.

## Colonel's Impassioned Testimony: Service Would be 'Hell' for Gay Son

By John Lancaster Washington Post Service
WASHINGTON — A senior

Marine officer, testifying against President Bill Clinton's plan to lift the ban on homosexuals in the military, electrified a packed Senate hearing room with a poignant and personal revelation about his own

"My son Scott is a bomosexual," said Colonel Fred Peck, who returned last week from a five-month tour as chief spokesman for U.S. military forces in Somalia. "And I don't think there's any place for

him in the military."

Colonel Peck had not prepared his audience for the disclosure, be-ginning his appearance before the Scnate Anned Services Committee with a litany of military objections to lifting the bomosexual ban. But

"If be were to walk into a recruiter's office, it would be a recruiter's dream come true," Colonel Peck said in a voice growing taut with emotion. "He's 6-font-I, blue-eyed, blond hair, great student."

"But if be were to go and seriousconsider joining the military," colonel Peck added, "I would have to, number one, personally counsel against it and, number two, actively fight against it, because my son is a homosexual."

Colonel Peck's testimony on Tuesday was the most personal and heartfelt plea from any military of-ficer on behalf of retaining the ban and illustrated the depth of emotion within the military services against the president's plan.

plan has nothing to do with "the worth of the individual."

"I love him," he said of his son, now a senior at the University of Maryland's Baltimore campus, as the room fell suddenly silent, "I love him as much as I do any of my sons. I respect him, I think be's fine person.

Nevertheless, Colonel Peck said, "Twe spent 27 years of my life in the military and I know what it would be like for him if he went in. And it

would be hell." "I would be very fearful that his life would be in jeopardy from his own troops," he added.

A Pentagon task force is study ing ways to implement the president's plan and is supposed to submit a draft executive order to the He said his opposition to the White House by July 15.

Justice Hominee Ally Speaks Out

WASHINGTON - Howard Reed, the first black member of an exclusive Arkansas country club, says he was recruited by Webb Hnbbell, a Justice Department nominee facing criticism for belonging to the club when it was whites-only.

"I would hate to see Webb dragged through a long confirmation process just because be had been a member of a club that did not have a minority member." Mr. Reed said.

A longtime friend of Mr. Hubbell and President Clinton, Mr. Reed is now a top economist in the office of Trade Representative Mickey Kantor. Mr Hubbell is Mr. Clinton's choice for the No. 3 spot in the Justice Department.

#### Missing: The 80,000 Lobbyists

WASHINGTON - Where did they all come from, those 80,000 lobbyists President Bill Clinton says are "lining the corridors of Washington as

"I know exactly where they came from," said

James Thurber, a professor of government at American University. "Off the top of my head." Since Mr. Thurber's estimate of 80,000 appeared in a Wall Street Journal article two years ago, it has become the unofficial official number of lobbyists in Washington, the kind of assertion that takes on an aura of fact through continual citation. The consumer groups Common Cause and Public Citi-zen, federal legislators, major newspapers and now

the president have used it as evidence that laws on lobbying need to be changed. But playing with numbers, especially if it benefits a cherished cause, is a longstanding Washing-

Those who quote the 80,000 figure for lobbyists might be disconcerted to learn how casually it came about, just as Mr. Thurber is more than a bit disconcerted by the uses to which his estimate has been put. The figure was born when a reporter for The Wall Street Journal, Jeffrey Birnbaum, contacted Mr. Thurber for an article on efforts to revise lobbying laws, which have remained un-changed since 1946. Specifically, be wanted to know how many lobbyists there were in Washing-

Mr. Thurber recalls: "I said, 'Jeff I don't know. 60,000, 70,000, I'm sure 80 is a reasonable figure." Later, Mr. Thurber said, "I got worried about it because I did it off of the top of my head."

Most estimates put the number of lobbyists at anywhere from 6,000 to 20,000. Some groups completely dismiss Mr. Thurber's estimate. (NYT)

#### it's a Turnout Race for L.A. Mayor

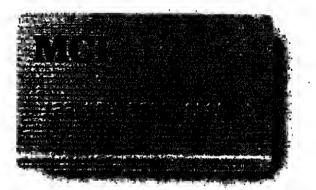
LOS ANGELES - With less than a month left in the campaign for mayor of Los Angeles, Richard Riordan, a businessman, lead Scity Councilman Michael Woo by 44 percent to 37 percent, according to a Los Angeles Times poll of voters most likely to turn out on Election Day.

But the poll gives Mr. Won a 6-point lead among all registered voters, strongly suggesting that the fate of the election could depend on the size and nature of the turnout June 8. (LAT)

#### Quote/Unquote

President Clinton, this week: "I've been criticized for doing more than one thing at once. I've always felt - can you do one thing at once? Can you do - wouldn't it be nice if all you had to do was go to work and not take care of your family? Would it be nice if you could pay your bills and ont earn any money to pay them? I don't understand this whole — you can't do one thing at once. But anyway, that's what they say."

Stephen Hess, a scholar at the Brookings Institution, commenting on the president's syntax: "Could this be George Bush's revenge? Maybe it's something in the water at the White House." (WP)



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#### **Away From Politics**

 The man charged with unurdering an abortion clinic doctor has acrused the physician of "treason," citing the right to life referred to in the Declaration of Independence. Michael Griffin goes on trial June 21 for the March 10 murder of Dr. David Gunn, who was shot three times as he arrived for work at a clinic in Pensacola, Florida.

· A convicted killer was executed Wednesday by injection in Huntsville, Texas. Claiming his innocence until the end, Leonel Herrera, 45, died before daybreak after staving off execution for several hours with four late-hour appeals. His case led to a landmark Supreme Court ruling on defendants' belated claims of new evidence.

• The coal mine explosion that killed eight miners last December was probably caused by a cigarette lighter igniting a buildup of methane gas, Virginia investigators announced. Southmountain Coal Co., which owns the mine in southern Virginia, also contributed to the explosion by allowing smoking underground, the inspectors added.

More than \$475,000 was spent sequestering the jury in the federal Rodney King civil rights trial, officials said — or the equivalent of about \$630 a day for each of the 12 jurors.

• A federal jury ruled that City University of New York violated Leonard Jeffries's right to free speech when it removed him as chairman of the City College black studies department last year after be delivered a racially charged speech. Reuters, AP, NYT

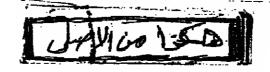


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## Trans-Atlantic Failure

#### A Task for Allies

The notion that the Europeans have no beart for serving their own interests in Bosnia nags at the American policy debate. It has become not only a hitter comment on the allies but a reason given for Americans not to act themselves. But meanwhile Europeans are much put off to see Americans weighing a bombing strategy that Europeans regard as divorced from realities on the ground. David Owen, the Bosnia peace negotiator, framed the two perceptions nicely when he told NBC News, "We've got to be very careful against having Europeans thinking of the Americans as cowboys and Americans thinking of Europeans as wimps."

In fact, a respectable case can be made that the Europeans, although not doing enough, are doing more than the Americans. The Europeans have some 7,500 lightly armed peacekeepers on the ground protecting, as best they can with limited mandate and muscle, relief routes and endangered citizens. The Americans have sent no ground troops, and speak of doing so only after the war is over and the risk gone. President Bill Clinton has indicated

readiness to arm Bosnian Muslims and conduct air strikes on Bosnian Serb artillery -supposedly a show of seriousness. But these hints have stirred such alarm in Europe and in the U.S. Congress as to shrink the chances of any early nulitary operations of this kind. Europe's fears that the arming of

#### Clinton Should Wait

With the failure of Secretary of State Warren Christopher's mission to Europe. the Clinton administration has run out of viable military options for intervening in the Bostian tragedy.
Neither Britain nor France is prepared to

support Washington's idea of arming the Bosnian government and buying time with selective air strikes against Serbian artillery. America is not prepared to intervene in a European quarrel by itself. That leaves Bill Clinton with no good choices. The ! ... ; had choice would be to pull back and regroup, distancing himself both from military threats that he is in no position to carry out and from the dangerous urgings of Europe's negotiator, David Owen.

If European leaders are unwilling to follow President Clinton's proffered lead, Washington dare not follow theirs. Lord Owen's latest ploy seems to consist of counting on the goodwill of Serbia's etb-nic-cleanser-in-chief, Slobodan Milosevic, to secure ratification of a diplomatic blueprint that would then have to be enforced by, among others, tens of thousands of

American ground troops.

This is only the latest Owen formulation for drawing in American troops. Now he is seconded by French Foteign Minister Alain Juppe, who asks for U.S. troops to join United Nations forces in some of Bosnia's most endangered cities. But both men spoke of American troops just after their governments turned down Mr. Christopher's pleas for a unified allied action.

Bosnia could provoke attacks on its peacekeepers have now led a desperate Bosnia to request the United Nations to pull them out - an embarrassment that the United Nations must in good conscience sustain.

Stymied as the United States is at the moment, this is no time for it to put aside all thought of military options. In current circumstances, however. Americans ought to think hard about the European Community's latest proposals, which are limited but feasible and practical. One is for America, Russia and others to join in meeting the UN Security Council's call to set up "safe areas" for Muslims in Bosnia. This would expose Americans only to levels of risk that Europeans already bear. It could save lives - lives threatened now not just by aggressive Serbs seeking a Greater Serbia but also by treacherous Croats seeking a Greater Croatia.

A second sensible European proposal is for other nanons to belp seal Serbia's border with Bosnia. The Serbian president, Slobodan Milosevic, feeling the heat, has promised to do that job, but he is a snake, and international border inspectors would be required to see that he was keeping his word. For Bosnian Serbs to lose the comforts of patronage by Serbia proper, and to conclude that they must accept the Vance-Owen peace plan, remains the quickest way to balt the carnage. Neither "wimps" nor "cowboys" have a place on this prospective common ground. Allies do.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

With the allies in gridlock, this is not the moment for more troops. Britain and France already have peacekeeping forces on the ground in Bosnia and are worried about their safety. Washington has no reason to complicate its own policy the same way, or to needlessly risk American lives.

This trans-Atlantic paralysis is bad news for Bosnians, who continue to die as diplomats dither. If things go on as they have, tens of thousands more will perish, and in the end Bosnia will be crudely partitioned into two or maybe three ethnic slices. The losers will he not only the Bosnians but the entire community of nations, most especially its European members. Aggression will have been rewarded, genocide accepted and bloody nationalists everywhere encouraged. Why European governments remain so com-

placent about all this remains a mystery. It is just possible that an American pullback now will shock some Europeans to their senses. More likely it won't. Events may yet compel the United States to take unilateral action.

President Clinton has looked amateurish at times. He has scarcely helped his reputation for effective foreign policy leadership. But at least he has tried to do some-thing, and it is not likely that Europe's answer would have been different even if he bad been more deft. For now, Mr. Clinton needs to husband his capital in other arenas. He cannot afford to squander his presidency trying to accommodate a Europe that will not face up to Bosnian realities or its own responsibilities.

-- THE NEW YORK TIMES.

# Europe's Futility in Bosnia Is an Ominous Symptom

**OPINION** 

P ARIS — It is very striking and not a little troubling that the West European nations that were the most powerful and dynamic states in the world 50 years ago are today incapable of looking after their own fundamental interests - neither collectively, certainly, nor as individual nations.

The Yugoslav war, capable of determining the moral as well as the geopolitical future of European society, has found the West Europe-

#### Even full ratification of the Maastricht treaty will now be an empty gesture.

an governments and elites incapable of more than palliative humanitarian measures to ap-pease a public opinion distressed by images of suffering and cruelty. The European Community's attempt to develop a political policy to deal with the crisis fell to pieces in futility and was handed over to the United Nations.

The European governments demonstrated a total dependence upon America to take a lead in this matter. Theirs was a complete political abdication. And, of course, the United States has rationalized its own unwillingness to act by the Europeans' failure. If they will not deal with Yugoslavia, their own problem, the United States is rightly reluctant to intervene. The

By William Pfaff

war takes place in Europe; Europe's future will be shaped by what has not been done.

At the same time the campaign goes on to obtain Maastricht treaty ratification, intended to provide the European Community with a common security and foreign policy. The failure to deal with Yngoslavia has demonstrated the emptiness of that ambition. Even if there already were a Maastricht mechanism for policy definition and execution the result would have been nothing, since there is no policy without substance, and the substance of a common European perception of the future and a common idea of Europe's geopolitical responsibility simply is not there.

France has been the principal advocate of an independent European foreign and security policy, but such initiatives as France itself has taken with respect both to Yugoslavia and to the larger geopolitical and security problems that have followed from communism's collapse have proved to be no more than self-aggrandizing dissents from American policy positions.

At no point has Paris offered the other

At his point has rais ordered the other ent program for a truly independent Europe-an policy. When the United States declined to deal with the Yugoslav war, France fell silent, contenting itself with humanitarian action—

admirable in itself, but wholly marginal to the political issues. President François Mitterrand's visit to Sarajevo last summer, which had no practical sequel, was a symbol of this policy of gesture without content.

The other major European power theoreti-cally capable of independent action, Britain, is today more than ever divorced from the Continent exactly because of the Maastricht initiative, with its alert to the inherited British fear of Continental entanglements. Britain has in the past been capable of

independent national initiatives. Margaret Thatcher's reconquest of the Falklands was a superbly individual national policy, meant to validate and enforce exactly the rules of international good conduct and legality which the Yugoslav war defies. However, Mrs. Thatcher's successors have proved gray men. Theirs is the Foreign Office outlook, which says first that nothing should be done, then that nothing can be done, finally that something might have been done but that it is too late.

The most dynamic European power of 50 years ago, Germany, remains morally immobilized by the experience of Nazism. It now is caught in the self-inflicted economic and social crisis produced by national unification, in which an important (and disturbing) element of self-pity makes itself felt. The question of national identity still is unsettled, as former Chancellor Helmut Schmidt has just told his fellow Germans in a new and savagely critical

Mr. Schmidt describes Germany today as legalistic, bureaucratic, inflexible, conformist and irresponsible in such foreign in tiatives as it does take. Germany's premature recogni-tion of Croatian independence was an abrupt departure from its previous practice of total conformation to the policies of its allies, It relies for the future on a European political unification still remote, if feasible at all.

All this political weakness, coupled with economic power, is very ominous. There is too much raw strength in Europe, too much

stifled pride and unresolved history, for something not eventually to explode here. There will be a return of the repressed.

Western Europe's energies were directed inward after the war in a furious reconstruction of economics, technological position and society. The unification of Europe was supposed to take care of the Comment's external posed to take care of the Comment's external problems. But unification now has halted The Maastricht initiative was misconceived and has failed. Even full ratification of the

and has failed. Even full raintenance of the treaty will now be an empty gesture.

The future of Western Europe is going to be more influenced by what happens in the Balkans, Eastern Europe and the ex-U.S.R. than by any development within the Community. This is evident, but Europe's present leaders will not see it. leaders will not see it.

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# Clinton and the Economy: A Suspicion of Jobs Gone for Good

WASHINGTON — To grasp why public confidence and perhaps even power are ebbing away from Bill Clinton at the moment, take a look at the Labor Department sjust released employment report for April.
U.S. manufacturers eliminated

65,000 more jobs than they added last month. There was growth overall month. There was grown overall—
nonmanufacturing employment rose
by 198,000 jobs — but these service
jobs are precisely the lower-paying,
benefit-scarce "hamburger flipping"
kind that candidate Clinton scorned
as not good enough to spark the economic renewal he promised.

The problem is not that President

Clinton has failed to turn around manediately the long-term erosion of America's manufacturing base. The American public knows that not even a combination of Superman, Batman. Wonder Woman and Ross Perot could have done that. The public understands Mr. Clinton's lament that these things can't be done overnight,

The problem is that the president has yet to show persuasively that he is getting a handle on the central problem of his presidency: jobs. High-wage, value-adding, interna-tionally competitive jobs. He has not yet established in the public mind what Clintonomics is, much less how it will resolve the workplace problems he addressed so eloquenty on the campaign trail.
This is the "focus" that has been

lost in these hectic early days of an

By Jim Hoagland

administration whose success de-Americans in their economic future. That future again looks uncertain as uneven growth fails to restore jobs. After gaining some ground in Febru-ary and March, factory payrolls now stand where they did when Mr. Clinton took office, the April Labor Department report shows.

Bill Clinton won in November, it seems to me, not because he had a better deficit reduction plan or quasipromised the middle class a tax cut. He won because he persuaded the electorate that he best understood its inchoate fears about the global eco-nomic revolution that is undermining the American manufacturing base.

Those fears (ignored by George Bush and shamelessly exploited by Ross Perot) center on the flight of jobs to developing countries, and on America's perceived competitive dis-advantages against the established economies of Japan and Germany. Mr. Clinton addressed the issue

intelligently, talking about the need to upgrade the skills of the labor force to compete in a global econo-my where all the other factors of production - capital, raw material, finished goods - are instantly mobile and can move in and out of wer-wage areas with case. "Our trade policy must be part of a

coordinated and integrated economic

strategy," the president's special trade representative, Mickey Kantor, promised in his Jan. 19 Senate confir-

mation hearing. But so far adminis-tration trade policy has resembled a series of drive-by shootings more than a considered extension of the philosophy that Mr. Clinton ex-pounded in the campaign.

Mr. Kantor gets paid to wing shots at Europeans or Japanese who

are walking down the trade street at the wrong moment. It is harder to understand the president joining in for what I think is limited political abroad. His April 16 public frosting of Japanese Prime Minister Kiichi yawwa at the White House pro-

vides à case in point.

Japanese television continues to play excerpts from the press conference of the two leaders, showing Mr. Clinton looming over Mr. Miyazawa and demanding that Japan agree to guarantee market shares for specific American goods. The small but deter-mined Mr. Miyazawa, in what is con-sidered in Japan the high point of his lackluster term in office, is shown

This performance stood leadership



etiquette on its head. The private meeting that preceded the press con-ference was much more cooperative than confrontational and a test rela-dicty finite time on under Young leaders minimize their private differences and exaggerate their agreement when they meet the yress. But at American insistence the differences were played up this time in the jointy reviewed public statements.

Americans may be more uneasy with managed trade than Mr. Clinton assumes. The serious studies of opinions the delad excepts studies of opinions.

ion on the global economy suggest that Americans feel that the steps that will rehabilitate the nation's industrial base must first be taken at home, not abroad.

Moreover. American workers seem to believe that trade agreements invariably end up taking jobs but of America or money out of the spockets as consumers, whatever the U.S. government intends. (This is the sentiment that Mr. Perot is playing to in his fierce assault on the proposed North American Free Trade Agreement.) Striking trade agreements with Japan is not necessarily seen as a way of ensuring America's economic future.

American competitiveness is the make or break subject for Mr. Clinton and his overlapping teams of policy- and image-makers. It is time for the president to put up a new sign to focus attention at the White House: It's the global economy, stupid. The Washington Post. . .

## A Mess at the Archives

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tional Archives, cannot be regarded as either a reliably honest keeper of documents or a reliably orderly and well-managed institution. The archivist who just left office. Don W. Wilson, has left his agency's repu-

tation severely clouded on both counts. First there was the long-running tand still unresolved) matter of the Bush and Reagan White House computer records. These were spirited out of the White House machines at the last possible moment, amid france court maneuverings, and deeded over to the Bush presidential library under a highly unorthodox agreement signed by Mr. Wilson - who, it then developed, had been in negotiations for a job that he later accepted

at that very library. Now comes a report done for the President's Council on Integrity and Efficiency alleging a wide variety of strange management practices and outright misconduct by the inspector-general and other officials at the National Archives, some of whom still hold their positions. Most of the apparent problems concern Mr. Wilson's 1989 hiring of Lawrence Oberg as archives inspectorgeneral, a man who was eventually removed after charges that he had put employees under surveillance, maintained a billing system that let management monitor the names and phone numbers of whistle-blowers, and, while serving as inspector-general. taken part in other archives operations in-

Lowering the Jolly Roger

itself to end this scourge.

Persistent pirate attacks on commercial

shipping at key routes on the world's sea

lanes again raise the question of whether

the international community can organize

Reports of piracy in Asian waters, espe-

cially the Strait of Malacca, have surfaced

periodically. Most disquieting is the rising

incidence of deaths among vicums and the

The mode of attack involves speed and

surprise. Pirates arrive at night, attacking

ships with small crews and no weaponry.

escalation of weaponry for the pirates.

It is an unhealthy situation when Ameri- cluding the move of a great many boxes of the Reagan Presidential Library in California. That kind of activity by an inspectorgeneral goes against the law governing the office, which was passed to make sure that agencies got independent oversight.

The behavior hy subordinates turns the spotlight back on Mr. Wilson, all the more so because, informed that Mr. Oberg had been investigated for various irregularities by the General Accounting Office, he gave him a different job within the archives, removed all negative evaluations from his files and reimbursed him at least \$10,000 for legal fees. Mr. Oberg remains in his current job, a demotion of one pay grade, as do several other archives officials criticized in the report for "mischaracterizing" Mr. Oberg's qualifications or for allowing him to report directly to them in violation of the inspector-general law.

If Mr. Wilson's involvement in all this extends only as far as being what critics have characterized as an "absence archivist," paying no attention to mounting irregularities and disorder, and putting Mr. Oberg into the inspector-general position on the basis of qualifications that the report calls "misstated or untrue," that is bad enough. But it is not clear that all these goings-on will fit under the bad-manage ment umbrella. Senator John Glenn has requested a further investigation from the stice Department, and he ought to get it. - THE WASHINGTON POST.

While some pirates have been repelled by fire

hoses and other nonlethal measures, these

The creation of an international counter-

require constant vigilance and a degree of

force, including aircraft and electronic sur-

veillance equipment, and perhaps the orga-

nizing of convoys for passage through

vulnerable areas, might reduce the inci-

dence of piracy. Such a force might extend

its measures to the tracking of pirate vessels

back to their home ports, allowing shore-

based national forces to extinguish the

- The Boston Globe.

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bases of operations.

preparedness not always available.

#### By John Kenneth Galbraith

C AMBRIDGE, Massachusetts — Reputable economic attitudes norm is high, if not quite full, curployment and a reliable rate of expansion in economic output. Recessions are an aberrant departure from that norm, Correction must come.

A great many people and an even The question after nearly three years is whether this is so. Or is it possible that the economy has settled into an underemployment equilibri-

um of small or negligible growth?

There is no great novelty in this suggestion. It happened in the Great Depression: There were 10 years of stagnation that ended nor because of any internal dynamic but from the

massive spending for the war.

And one mildly esoteric branch of economie thought has long allowed for the possibility of an enduring un-deremployment equilibrium, of stability with high unemployment, of

One must, however, challenge all accepted attitudes on the next point. It is that recession is uniformly adverse in its effect and thus by every-

higher proportion of those who bave political voice and vote, although perhaps not a majority, find a recession quite comfortable, and certainly more so than the measures that do anything effective about it.

This, however, no one dreams of

saying. Economists and all approved economie doctrine have made high employment and economic growth a sacred good. With this no one can openly disagree.

There are the many who live in recession with a wholly secure livelihood and a lessened fear of price in-

hold that the American economic low or negligible economic growth. creases. They are in no real danger of loss or diminution of income.

Present here are the more secure parts of the modern corporate bureaucracy. Its members see their brethren being shed. (The corporate clite is never fired or sacked; in the interest of efficiency, it is only shed.) However, those who are truly influential have no fear. They, always in the interest of efficiency, are the ones

who do the shedding. Similarly secure are many in the professions - professors, needless to say, some public servants, lawyers, doctors and media stars. Also very important is the modern large rentier class. And many who live on Social

Security or pensions. For all these, recessions mean stable or even falling prices and no serious reduction of income. Relatively

secure also are those Kansas farmers, constituents of Senator Bob Dole, whose prices are guaranteed by the government, whose expenses and labor costs are now stable. Also, in an economy where services

are increasingly important, a reces-

sion means a more willing and pliant labor supply, an underclass more available for the unpleasant toil that makes life for the rest of us more agrecable. And for employers. A recession in modern times is also

for many far more attractive than remedial action against it. The possible positive lines of ac-

tion against recession are three: Taxes can be reduced to enhance the flow of consumer and investment spending, or so it is hoped; interest rates can be lowered to enhance investment spending and consumer purchases of houses, automobiles, refrigerators and electronics, or so it is also

hoped; the government can under-take direct, forthright job creation.

This is the holy trinity. Prayer and repetitive prediction of recovery apart. there are no other lines of action.

Tax reduction has its proponents, notably among those who pay the taxes. Unfortunately, its relation to recovery is theoretical. There is the difficult question as to whether the revenues released will be spent or invested; they may be held as cash or unused bank balances.

And tax reduction would increase the deficit, concern with which has now reached near paranoiac proportions. Again, better the recession.

Next, there is monetary policy: the reduction of interest rates by the Federal Reserve. This is believed to have a peculiar magic. It calls for no big bureaucratic effort, carries no threat of taxes — and a special intelligence is taken to characterize those who are associated occupationally with money.

by no means welcomed by those who enjoy such income. They are not without political influence.

Any talk of an easier monetary Any talk of an easier monetary policy automatically brings grave and urgent warnings of the danger of inflation. This, too, is a threat to those

on stable incomes.

Additionally, there is the sad fact that in a recession monetary policy doesn't work. The clasticity of the doesn't work. The elasticity of the response to reduced interest rates is spend and invest, or fail to do so, presty much as before.

ally, there is direct government expenditure and comployment. For those resting comfortably in recessions sion, this is the worst of all. It could sion, this is the worst of all it could raise prices, risk inflation. Much worse, it promises higher taxes at some time yet to come.

President Bill Clinton proposed a very modest economic expansion program; we have seen what happened. As the recession continues. I hope he will come back to this policy with force. That is not, however, my point here. I have a lesser plea; it concerns Americans' awkward secret, our forbidden truth. We pride ourselves on being plain-

spoken, free from cant and certainly from any pathological self-deinsion. Given a fact, we face it. Let us now face the fact that for many a recession is a tolerable, even pleasant thing. And let us say so. This will not be popular. There could be indignant denial. That is often the

The writer, professor emeritus of economics at Harvard University, contributed this comment to The New York Times.

#### Reward the Keepers of Biodiversity By Paul Spencer Sochaczewski

Y AP, Micronesia—As a sports-man and conscrivationist, I have been taught to scuba dive in an "ecofriendly" manner: taking nothing, doing no damage and leaving no trace of my presence. I therefore had mixed feelings recently watching a group of Japanese scienusts in waters near this island as they hacked off a large, purple, tree-like Dendronepthya soft coral. I felt that this particular inverte-

brate might have died for a good cause. The hackers were researchers with Japan's Marine Biology Institute. The soft coral might provide a treatment for cancer.

Exciting, but also disturbing, Japan is paying nothing to Microne-sia for research rights, thereby giving life to a key issue from last year's Earth Summit in Rio de Ja-neiro: Who benefits from biological diversity in the tropics, and who should be paid to conserve it?

The Japanese lead the world in applied marine biotechnology. This is partly due to vision and a spirit of exploration. But Japan's strong po-sition is largely the result of its ability to combine government and private interests. The institute receives half its funding from the Ministry of International Trade and Industry in Tokyo and half from a consortium of 24 leading corporations, including Suntory, Nippon Steel and the Japanese sub-

sidiary of Exxon oil. The Japanese institute's embrace of public and private interests has produced an organization capitalized at 800 million yen (\$7.3 million) with 80 employees and two aboratories. The institute owns a modern, seagoing research vessel.

But a research institute needs raw

materials. The Japanese scientists

stated in a letter to the Micronesian federation, of which Yap is one of four island-states, that they were looking for new agents to replace toxic barnacle-resistant paints, for bacteria that "eat" oil spills, and for phytoplankton species that can turn atmospheric carbon dioxide into compost. Institute scientists I spoke to in Yap added that they were also looking for pharmacologically active

compounds to treat cancer. It is difficult to estimate the commercial value of these marine materials, but it is considerable. Thomas Veach Long, president of Maricul-tura, a U.S. firm engaged in marine research, says that any of these categories could ultimately he worth \$5 billion a year. D. John Faulkner at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography in San Diego estimates that as much as half of the next generation of pharmaceuticals will come from marine biotechnology research.

The Japanese scientists off Yap were engaged in cutting-edge sci-ence. But what bothered me was that Micronesia was selling itself cheap. In exchange for permission to collect in the country's territorial waters, the institute was to provide the host government with a copy of its research reports, a seawater analysis and some training - but no cash or promise of royalties from the commercial application of

any scientifie discoveries from Yap's treasure trove of marine life. The institute wanted to collect in Micronesia and the neighboring U.S. trust territory of Palau because these areas are among the richest in marine biological diversity. Micro-nesia's reefs have 60 percent of the world's coral species, while Palan's reefs, along with those of northern Australia, Indonesia and the Philip-

pines, contain 70 percent of all cor-al species. Very few other regions have such diversity. A key debate at Rio focused on

the responsibility of "gene-rich" na-tions, most of them in the developing world, to protect their biodiversity for the benefit of mankind, The tropical countries then pointed out that if these resources were so important to industrial states, they could help pay for their conservation and pay again if money was made by exploiting that diversity. Why didn't Micronesia ask for

more? It might have structured a three-part deal somewhat similar to an oil exploration concession. The Japanese institute could have been required to pay a basic fee in exchange for exclusive exploration rights for up to 10 years. If the institute developed commercially important chemicals, it would then pay Micronesia a royalty. The country should also have asked for Japanese help in developing sus-tainable marine-based commercial activity, such as seaweed cultivation and high-value tuna fishing to

feed Japan's appetite for sashimi Micronesia's leaders might have been afraid of scaring off the Japanese. But Micronesia is in a stronger position than it realizes, because it is stable and relatively close to Japan. Yap and the other islands in the federation have a resource of real value. The sooner they recognize this and act on it, the better for biodiversity conservation worldwide.

The writer is head of creative de velopment at WWF-World Wide Fund for Nature International in Switzerland and a professorial asso-clate at the East-West Center in Hawaii. He contributed this comment to the International Herald Tribune.

#### 1893: Woman Spurned

BRUSSELS - An important controversy on the rights of women has been in progress since the recent election of Mine. Alice Bron. known in. literature under the nom de phone of Jean Fresco, as a member of the Board of Charity of Monceau-sur-Sambre. The anti-female party will on Tuesday [May 16] in the Chamber. of Representatives question the gov-ernment as to the legality of this election, which has been recognized as valid by the Minister of Justice.

## 1918: Poland Betrayed

GENEVA - The Gazette de Lausanne publishes this morning [May 12] the conditions of a secret treaty of Brestonly Germany and that it is not an

# ALLIED HEADQUARTERS IN NORTH AFRICA — [From our

campaign came this afternoon [May 12] when resistance by the German African armies and their Italian partners collapsed. All of North Africa. with the exception of Spanish Moroc-co, is now in the hands of the triumphant British, American and French ricops. The surrender of the remaining Axis divisions brought the number of prisoners captured by the Allies since last week to more than

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## **OPINION**

# This Is It: Echoes of Johnson

WASHINGTON — When Earl Weaver was manager of Baltimore's Orioles and bane of American League umpires, he would charge out of the dugout bellowing, "Are you goons get any better or is this it?" Today that question is being asked about the Clinton administration. The answer is: This is it.

This is what liberal government looks like: Lyndon Johnson redux. Consider two examples, the administration's plan for fine-tuning the Balkan civil war, and the administration's plan for fine-tuning the fairness of American society. Last Sunday's Washington Post read like a bulletin from a time

Consider Clinton's plan for fine-tuning the Balkan war - then think back to Vietnam.

the professors' war.

warp. Under the headline "Trying to Level the Battlefield," The Post reported that Bill Clinton plans to equalize the combatants" by arm-

ing Bosnia's Muslims. "The theory," The Post reported,
"is that the warring Bosnian Serbs and Muslims eventually will make peace, once they are more equally armed." But the Bosnian Muslim militias must get precisely the right amounts of weapons — enough to prevent the Muslims' defeat but not enough to embolden the Muslims to

try to reconquer lost territory. And George Stephanopoulos, speaking of tightening economic sanctions against Serbia, says: "We certainly would like to make that tightening of the screw work."
So, another — what? — one and a

third turns? Three and two-thirds? So far the arms embargo has had the opposite of the intended effect: It has encouraged aggression by the better-armed Serbs. But this time the U.S. government will get it precisely right - just the right mix of arms and sanctions to produce a decision matrix (let's hope the warring parties know they are supposed to start behaving like rational stu-dents of game theory) that brings

everyone to fruitful negotiations.

This is the real "Vietnam syndrome," the belief of civilians that they can eleverly administer vioence and other coercion in precise By George F. Will

and manipulative doses. Vietnam, remember, was a professors' war, long on theories and nuances. Force was dispensed in carefully calibrated increments to "signal" this or that, and to modify enemy behavior by rewarding and punishing the enemy's actions while the United States went about "nation-

building" in South Vietnam. Quick, someone send to the White House Deborah Shapley's book "Promise and Power: The Life and Times of Robert MeNamara." And mark pages 321-323 where McGeorge Bundy, President Johnsoo's national security adviser, outlines a plan for bombing North Vietnam in careful proportion to North Vietnam's violence

in South Vietnam.

Operation Rolling Thunder derived, Ms. Shapley writes, "from the intellectual theories of signaling and bargaining among adver-saries in nuclear war and of ladders of escalation and de-escala-

tion ... MeNamara may have imagined the hombing campaign as a balance sheet, with the oumber of enemy targets hit in one column and measures of enemy activity in the South in the other. Bundy's report even proposed a yardstick: They would publish 'weekly lists of outrages' in the South corresponding to the level of 'pain' inflicted in the North."

mara was presented with Operation Explosion, a plan to arm the South Namara said of Operation Explored into the future. view and assume it will take that

years instead of one year." The Clinton administration's confidence in its capacity to finetune the farmess of American society also resembles the Johnson admioistratioo's confidence. The resemblance is particularly striking concerning the racial policies that for 30 years have been disuniting America, producing a proliferation of grievance groups, each claiming victim status and demanding entitlement to special rights.

The Johnson administration fostered the now-rampant ideology of victimism: The evils of American society cripple certain groups; they

# The Muzzle of 'Correctness' Has an Ugly History

WASHINGTON — In "Albioo's Seed," his great history of the colonization of America, David Hackett Fischer describes some of the penalties for politically incorrect speech in Puritan Mas-

sachusetts in the 17th century; Quakers, he writes, "were punished with special ferocity. Some were branded in the face and burned very deep with a red-hot iron with H. for heresie. Others had their

#### MEANWHILE

ears cut off, faces scarred and postrils slit open in a saturnalia of sadistic punishment ... Four Quaker women were ordered to be stripped to the waist, fied to a cart's tail and conveyed from constable to constable, through 12 New England towns, and to be whipped in every town. The women were flogged so terribly that the blood coursed down their naked backs and breasts, until the horrified townsmen of Salisbury rose against the constables and rescued them."

In Boston in 1637, a synod of the clergy listed 82 forbidden opinions that were to be rooted out as blasphemous, erroneous and unsafe. From 1656 to 1662, a purge of heretics took place. Four were hanged, many others were mained and mutilated and others were banished. In 1691 and 1692, witchcraft trials conducted by a special commission convicted 32 men and

women. All were put to death. American history is full of efforts to By Richard Harwood

eradicate dissent and dissenters, to sup-press unpopular opinions, to muzzle "incorrect" speech. Laws and vigilante committees were used to impose political. orthodoxy on newspaper printers during and after the Revolutionary War. The army was sent out during the Civil War to smash printing equipment and shut down copperhead newspapers.

Mobs sacked many newspapers and murdered or assaulted many editors over the years who dared to challenge, mock or reputiate conventional wisdom. The Record in Marion County, Kansas, reported in 1876 the acquirtal of a man who had murdered an editor: "That's just the way of some juries - they think it no more harm to shoot an editor than a Jack-rabbit."

Prosectors and police tracked down and imprisoned pacifists and Socialists during and after World War L The witchhunts of the McCarthy era are fresh in my memory. Which books, magazines and newspapers did you read? Which ideas did you express? Who were your friends and enemies? Young civil rights workers were murdered in the South in the 1960s because of the words they spoke: End segregation.

We have entered a new period of repressive orthodoxy and conformity. Codes on ed, the mere charge that he is "homophobic" is itself "career threatening" today.

In this new era of orthodoxy, the press the land, creating an atmosphere of fear

and uncertainty over the "acceptability" of words, attitudes and opinions. People are not murdered or mutilated. But their careers and reputations can be put at risk by

the words they write or speak.

At the University of Michigan the faculty is warned against "discriminatory" interances "based on race, color, creed, religion, national origio, sex, sexual orientation, ancestry, age, marital status, handicap or Vietnamera status that has the purpose or effect of creating an intimidating hostile or offensive environment for academic pursuits, employment, housing or participation in a university activi-So is it now a speech crime at Ann Arbor and other schools to refer to the president as a "draft evader" or to refer to Davidians as "fanatics"? Are those words

"intimidating" or "offensive"?

A respected scholar and dean at Washington College, was accused recently by a leader of a gay group who accused him of being "a bigot, a Nazi, a person like those who persecute Jews; garbage, lower than gar-bage." The dean's "crime" was to speak in opposition to a "domestic partners" propos-al that had financial implications for a coilege operating in the red. The alliance demanded that he be formally censured by the college and forced to recant. These demands

reminds us -as a handful of papers did in the McCarthy era - of the protections for free expression Americans are supposed to enjoy under the First Amendment and of the social and political values it is intended to protect. It also acts as something of an "enforcer" of orthodox speech and doctrine by ferreting out and punishing with publicity people guilty of speech regarded as sexist, racist, anti-Semitic or otherwise offensive to one group or another. The politician who tells a sexist joke at the Elks Club is likely to wind up on the front page and the evening news.

Newspapers themselves are finding it difficult to resist internal and external pressures to conform to various orthodoxes and agendas.

Howard Kurtz of The Washington Post has published a new book in which he describes the modern newspaper as a "house divided" along lines of race, gender, sexuality and ethnicity: "The inevita-ble result of such a polarized atmosphere is for everyone concerned to tiptoe around explosive subjects, hoping to avoid step-ping on ... a land mine." He calls that "a surefire prescription for more of the bland mush that plagues so many editorial pages." It is also a prescription for averting our eyes from the erosion of the First Amendment and the suppression or dis-couragement of nonconformist thought and speech that is occurring all around in the United States today.

The Washington Post.

## Mr. Bundy's report was written in **Taking the world view**. 1965, three years after Mr. McNa-

must be treated as wards of the state and given preferential treat-ment. Victimism has given rise to

forced busing, affirmative action, racial set-asides, and even the

race-norming" of test scores.

Under race-normiog, scores

achieved by job applicants on cer-

tain tests are segmented by racial groups. Individual scores are re-

ported not in relation to all those

taking the test, but only in relation

to others in the racial group. Blacks are only compared with blacks,

Hispanics only with Hispanics. The 1991 Civil Rights Act sup-

posedly outlawed race-norming.

But Section 403 of Mr. Clinton's

education bill calls for a system of

assessment and certification of skill

standards that uses "certification

techniques that are designed to avoid disparate impacts (which, for the purposes of this subparagraph, means substantially different rates

of certification) against individuals based on race, gender, age, ethnic-

This is race-norming (and gen-der-norming etc.). It is just another facet of the Clinton administra-

tion's Johnsonian confidence in its

ability to fine-tune the world, bring-

ing reality into conformity with ide-ology. By the way, an interesting

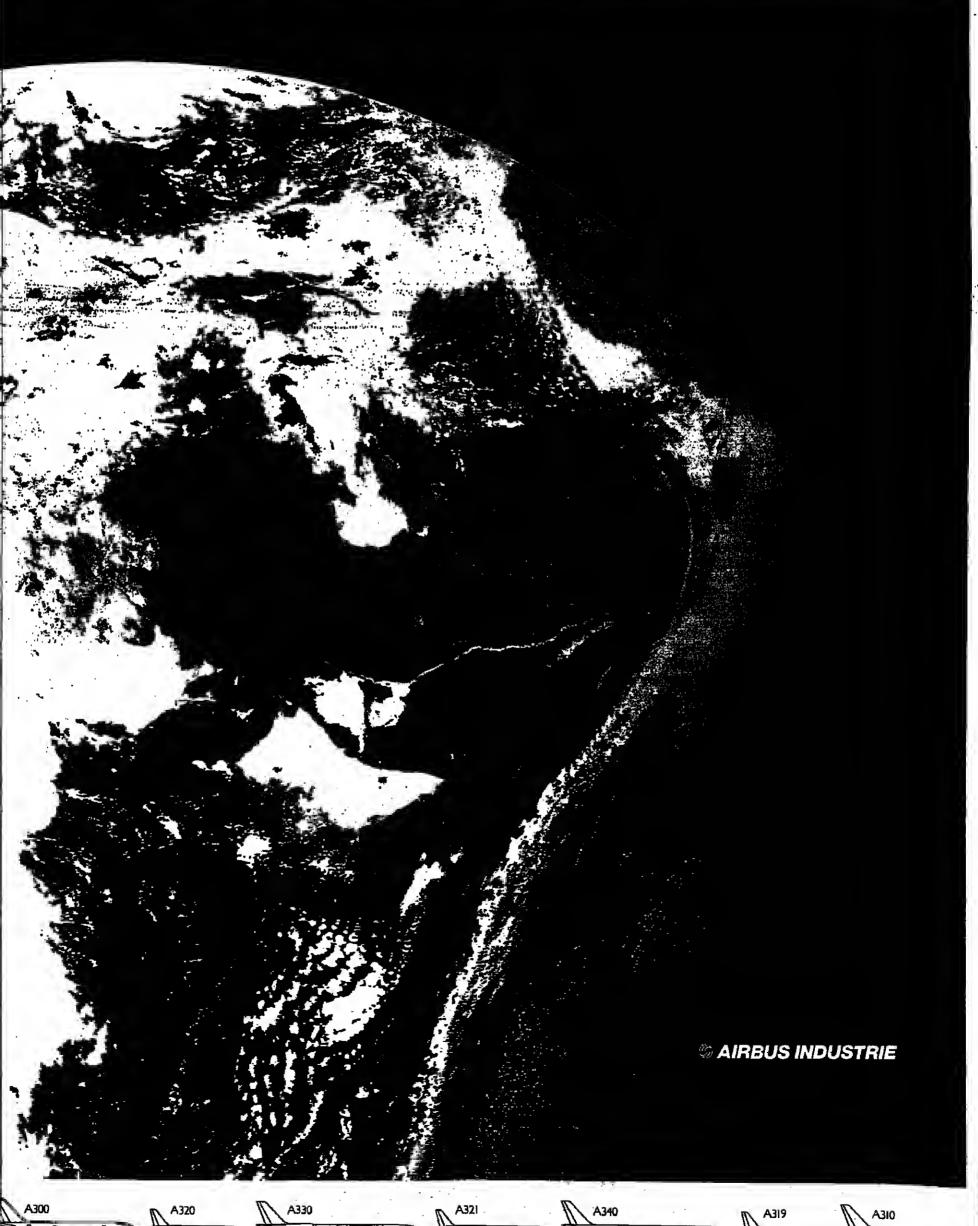
word describes the effect that poli-

cies like race-norming have on American society: Balkanization

Washington Post Writers Group.

ity, disability or national origin."

From the beginning, Airbus Industrie's clear vision of the world's eir transport needs has guided its long-term business strategy. The result today is a 38% share of the civil Vietnamese to level the battlefield aviation market with more than 100 airline customers, including most of the mojor flag-carriers. The constantly evolving Airbus family of aircraft, which includes both the biggest the Communists. In 1962, Mr. Mo. twin-aisle twin and the longest range airliner in aviation bistory, can now fully meet customers' range and capacity requirements: a solid basa from which to extend our world view



#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### The Blame for Waco

It is difficult to understand the United States, or at least its press, A fanatical band buys \$200,000 worth of heavy weapons, shoots and kills four law officers, holes up in a fortress for almost two months, all the while threatening death and destruction, and in a remarkable bit of theater, finally immolares itself. This act is then said to be the fault of the president of the United States and of the better than to spray the victims with tear gas.

PAUL de TRACY.

Paris. Of all the "cult experts" newspapers have quoted, not one has offered an alternative course the government might have taken except to wait and see. David Koresh had no intention of coming out or of letting anyone else do so. It is doubtful that, even when the Branch Davidians reached a point of thirst and starvation, they would have surrendered. They either would have died agonizing deaths or set fire to the compound, much as they did when the FBI tried to enter.

There is simply no precedent of such a stand-off being resolved peacefully. The situation with Jim Jooes and his followers in Guyana ended with 10 times the loss of life. We oeed to stop pointing fingers and to learn from this incident through analysis, rather than blame, so that next time (and there is sure to be one) may not end in tragedy.

PAM R. JENOFF. Cambridge, England.

#### Things Can Change

Regarding "Italy: They Will Clean Up Their Acts, but Probably Not Much" (Opinion, April 23) by Leslie H. Gelb:

It is not that Italy's Christian Democrats or Socialists opposed the wildly successful referendum to climinate the proportional system and construct an English or

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American-style electoral system. But they had had their chance for months in the parliament's electoral reform commission to effect change sooner. Too bad that commission ac-

complished nothing. With its failure, the reformers took it to the people, and woo hands down. This has been going on bere for a few years: taking it to the people. Two years ago the people voted another fundamental electoral change, eliminating the so-called multipleallowed the Mafia to control who voted for whom in the South. The secret ballot effectively arrived in Italy only two years ago.

Meanwhile, Umberto Bossi,

whom Mr. Gelb labels a "fiery demagogue," has become the major po-litical force in the North. He has managed to create not a new coalition but a new party. Mr. Bossi may culate a lot (as do most Ital ians) but his "preaching," as Mr. Gelb puts it, is about as extreme as that of Bob Dole, His brand of federalism, far less extreme than that guaranteed by the U.S. Constitution, is another example of people power, ftalian-style.

Serious changes are occurring here. There is a mentality shift new, young, active politicians of all flavors; ao interest in politics on the part of young people, taxi driv-ers, junior executives, housewives. all of whom exhibit anything but the attitude of non cambia niente. JON J. COOPER.

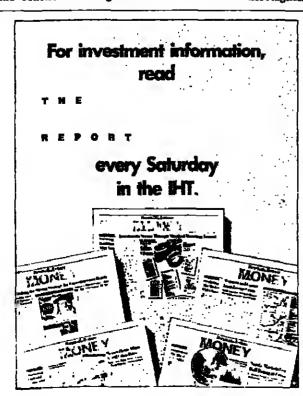
The Knives Are Out

#### Regarding "Israel Acts, Jordan

Reacts" (Letters, April 16) from El Hassan Bin Talal:

The Jordanian crown prince complains about Israel closing its borders to Palestinian workers from the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, but fails to mention the imu-merable stabbings of private Israeli citizens by Palestinians.

BERNARD RICHTER. Los Angeles.



**Yeltsin Sets** 

On Charter

For June 5

The Associated Press

on Wednesday ordered a special assembly to convene next month to

complete a new constitution for

Russia, one that would strengthen

The decree was Mr. Yeltsin's

boldest step yet to replace a consti-

The constitutional assembly will

consist of two delegates from each

of Russia's 88 regions and repub-

lics, as well as representatives of the

It will convene in Moscow on

June 5 and complete its work on a

Mr. Yeltsin gathered senior re-

gional officials in the Kremlin on Tuesday to help draft the new con-stitution, while his parliamentary

rivals worked on their own version

Each side accused the other of

gain the power to dissolve parlia-

ment, appoint the cabinet and in-troduce a state of emergency.

He also wants to replace the Congress, the nation's highest par-

liamentary body and a stronghold of his opponents, with a bicameral

One legislative critic, the deputy

parliament speaker, Nikolai Rya-bov, has asserted that Mr. Yeltsin

was trying to draft a constitution that "practically establishes a con-

In response, Mr. Yeltsin said Tuesday: This constitution could be described as monarchical if the

people are regarded as a monarch."

the ftar-Tass press agency report-

stitutional monarchy."

draft constitution by June 10.

president and parliament.

tution adopted in the Soviet era.

his powers as president.

MOSCOW - Boxis N. Yeltsin

Assembly



SELF-DEFENSE IN RUSSIA — A weapons instructor showing a Muscovite how to fire a gas pistol on Wednesday. A new law allows ownership of the weapons for self-defense, provided they are registered and that owners have passed a course on their use.

# France Seeks a Greater Role in NATO

By Alan Riding

New York Times Service PARIS - France, which has long played a maveriek role in NATO, is now eager to huld a closer military relationship with the Atlantic alliance, the country's oew defense minister said Wednesday.

In an interview with Le Monde, the minister, François Léotard, 'said that "good sense, lucidity and prudence" were leading France to 'adjust its relationship with NATO following the end of the Cold War and the reduction of the U.S. troop

presence in Europe. Mr. Leotard, who took office after a conservative coalition was eswept into office in general elections in March, said that France would oot revoke Charles de Gaulle's decision to withdraw French troops from the North Atlantic Treaty Organization's integrated military command io 1966. But he said he wanted France to follow Spain's example. Madrid has also kept its troops out of the

alliance's military structure, but Committee "We must take note of They have merely changed in nanonetheless sends its defense minister to participate in twice-yearly sion taking place around us," he meetings of NATO's Nuclear Plan- said

the immense geostrategic convul-

## Germans Jail 6th Attacker

FRANKFURT AN DER ODER, Germany — The last de-fendant in a much-publicized racist slaying in Eastern Germany was convicted Wednesday of aggravated rioting and sentenced to four-and-a-half years in prison.

The victim, Amadeu Antonio Kiowa of Angola, was beaten to death by a gang of skinheads in Eberswalde, 50 kilometers (30 miles) northeast of Berlin, in 1991 as a wave of violence against foreigners was rising in Eastern Ger-

While Mr. Kiowa's death be-

came a rallying point for Germans who opposed neo-Nazi violence, prosecutors were unable to hring charges of murder or manslaughte in the case. Gang members denied responsibility for the fatal blows.

In a trial last September, five members of the gang were convict-ed of aggravated battery with fatal consequences and were given sentences ranging from four years in prison to two years on probation.

The last trial ended Wednesday with the conviction of Kay-Nando B., 22, for aggravated rioting with ture. The alliance must take on new missions. France must understand this change and not allow others to

At present, France only attends NATO Council meetings, where the alliance's foreign ministers draw up broad political strategy. Even before the recent change of government here, however, there were signs that France felt it should join a debate in NATO about the lliance's future military role.

As evidence of this, Mr. Leotard pointed out that France had agreed in January that a new French-German army corps should come un-der NATO's command in moments

of crisis in the region.

The minister did not say when France might return to its seat in the Nuclear Planning Group or the Defense Planning Committee, but he said that he wanted French military officers to be more present "from now on" at the Brussels headquarters of NATO.

# Who Bugged Charles and Di?

By Eugene Robinson

Washington Past Sernce
LONDON — Who has been
bugging the British royal family?
The government angrily demics doing it. The tabloid newspapers say they are not the ones. But there were new assertions on Wednesday that someone, somewhere, has been eavesdropping on the British royals on a regular

A controversy over the alleged bugging crupted on Wednesday morning when The Sun, Britain's largest-selling tabloid, published a transcript of what it said was a conversation between the Prince and Princess of Wales at Highgrove, the estranged couple's country home:

The oewspaper claimed to have evidence that the conversation was taped in November by MI5, Britain's domestic intelligence service.

"We are confident that the bugging was done by the security services," said Chris Davis, The

Sun's assistant editor. Home Secretary Keoneth Clarke, who oversees MI5 and the other security agencies, im-mediately hranded The Sun's al-

lacking the authority to replace the legations about official bugging 1977 constitution, which has be-come the focus of a power struggle He said there was "oot one between Mr. Yeltsin and his foes in shred of evidence to show it is the Congress of People's Deputies.

Under a draft proposed last month by Mr. Yeltsin, he would

But James Whitaker, who writes about the royals for a rival tabloid, The Mirror, said he would reveal in a new book that the British security forces "rontinely" bug the royals. "I have evidence that this bug-

ging has been going oo for years." Mr. Whitaker said. They have literally hundreds of hours of transcript. Even the queen is bugged."
Mr. Whitaker said he did not

know specifically whether the eavesdropping had been done by MI5 or by military intelligence units. He said that such surveillance was continuing

The allegations led to calls for a more detailed statement from the government. Tony Blair,



The Princess of Wales paying visit to an AIDS center on Wednesday in Cornwall.

spokesman for the opposition Labor Party on Home Office matters, said Mr. Clarke should specifically address the question whether any member of the security services, with or without

prior approval, might have made the tapes.

The conversation printed in The Sun today between Charles and Diana, who decided five months ago to separate, does not in itself contain any revelations. They hicker, as any couple might do in the final weeks before a split. At one point, they consider the possibility of "a custody bat-tle" over their two sons.

script, if genuine, deepens the mystery of who might be cavesdropping on the royals. It would be the latest in a series of such conversations that were some-

how overheard and transcribed. First came the "Squidgy" tape last August, in which Diana complained by telephone to a male friend about her loveless marriage to the heir to the British throne. Then, two months later, came transcripts of a taped telephooe conversation between Charles and the woman said to be his mistress. Camilla Parker

In each case, one party was using a mobile telephone making it theoretically possible for them to have been picked up by ham radio operators. A retired bank manager claimed to have recorded the "Squidgy" tape on his ham equipment before passing it on to the tabloids.

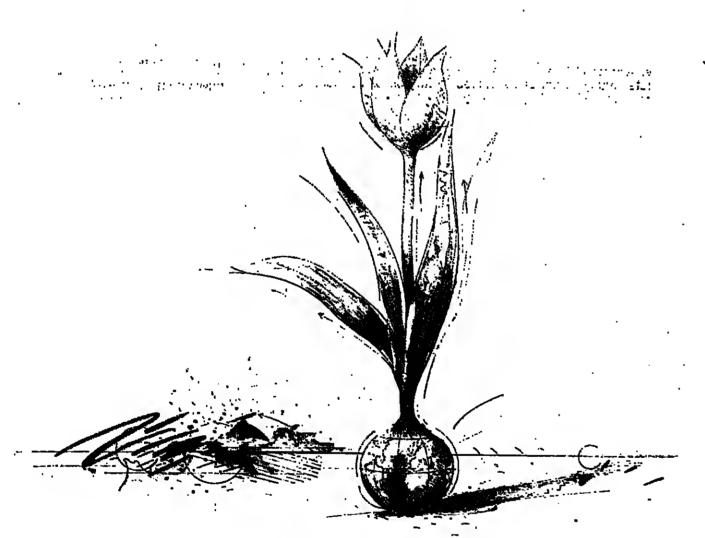
But experts have said it is extremely unlikely for mobile phone conversations to be cantured with such elarity by amateurs, and there are some indications that the conversations may have been recorded and then rebroadcast in a way that made them easier to pick up.

At the time, the government categorically denied that MI5 or any of the security services had been involved. But the government has oever announced its version of how the phone conversations came to light.

The cooversation that surfaced Wednesday, by contrast, was a face-to-face talk between Charles and Diana in the privacy of their home. Unless it is a fake, someone must have recorded it — either the intelligence services, some member of the royal staff, or the royals themselves.

Charles and Diana announced last December that they had decided to separate after 11 years of marriage. Charles oow lives primarily at Highgrove, while Diana lives in London at Kensingtoo Palace.

# Many banks are returning to their roots.



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# Cecil Lyon, 89, U.S. Diplomat, Dies

WASHINGTON - Cecil T. F. B. Lyon, 89, a retired Foreign Service officer who had served as U.S. ambassador to Chile and to what is now Sri Lanka, died of pneumonia and congestive heart ailure April 6 at his home in Han-

cock, New Hampshire. His career included several assignments in Washington and service in Havana, Hong Kong, Tokyo, Beijing, Santiago de Chile, Cairo and Waysey. In 1950, he was assigned in Berlin as director of the Berlin element of the office of the high commissioner for Germany and deputy commandant. He re-turned to the State Department in 1954 as director of the office of German affairs, then in 1955 was named deputy assistant secretary

of state for Inter-American affairs. the film criticism she wrote from He was appointed amhassador to Chile in 1956 and served there until 1958, when he was named minister in Paris. Mr. Lyoo served in Paris until 1964, when he was named amhassador to Ceyloo (which became Sri Lanka in 1971), The following year he was appointed ambassador to the Maldives, and he served in both capacities until 1967. He retired from the State Department in 1968,

Penelope Gilliatt, 61. New Yorker Film Critic

NEW YORK (AP) - Penelope Gilliatt, 61, a writer of fiction, jour-nalism and screenplays, and a long-time film critic for The New Yorker, died Sunday in Loodon. Ms. Gilliatt was best known for

1968 to 1979 for The New Yorker. where she shared reviewing duties with Pauline Kael, and for her screenplay for "Sunday, Bloody Sunday," a 1971 film starring Glenda Jacksoo and Peter Finch that received an Academy Award nomination for best screenplay.

Dr. David H. Blankenhorn, 68, a professor of medicine at the University of Southern California who pioneered research showing that a low-fat diet and drug therapy can reverse heart disease, died of cancer Sunday at his home in Pacific Grove, California.

Algemon D. Black, 92, a teacher and the leader emeritus of the New York Society for Ethical Culture, died Sunday in Ryc, New York.

## EUROPEAN **TOPICS**

# They'll Hold Reins,

Not Rifles, for France France, which already offered its young men a variety of alternatives to traditional military service, has added a "green optioo." Beginning next year, about 250 recruits will be able to perform their service in jobs related to the environment like the horse-mounted enlisted men who will help

inspectors in Alsace. A 1992 law recognized five alternative categories of service, ranging from government-related work abroad to police-support work and conscientions objection. Though 94 percent of recruits still opt for traditional service, there is a clear trend, the daily Liberation reports, toward the alternatives.

But the 1992 law, which reduced military service to 10 months, still requires conscientious objectors to perform two years' duty, as hospital orderlies, for example. Objectors — there were 4,933 last year - say this is discriminatory, and a group is now nn a nine-city tour of France to rally support.

Around Europe

House calls comprise half of all doctor-patient contacts in Belgium, which Le Journal du Médecin says is a world record. But as traffie and parking problems worsen, doctors are suggesting more forcefully that the government could save money by reimbursing house calls at a lower rate than visits to the office, where conditions in any case are better for medical exams.

In Britain, meanwhile, waiting lists at National Health Service hospitals are reaching the politically sensitive figure of 1 million. The lists grew from 915,607 in March 1992, to 992,324 a year later. Pointing to the bright side, the government notes that the number of patients waiting more than one year is down by 29.8 percent.

Hama Suchocka, the Polish prime minister, is forming a "club of Europe's leading women." Those invited to an organizational meeting in Krakow on

June 26 include Margaret Thatcher, former British prime minister; Rita Süssmuth, chairman of the German Bundestag: Vigdis Finnbogadottir. president of Iceland, and Catherine Lalumière, secretary-general of the Council of Europe, Men, Mrs. Suchocka says, will not be excluded from the work of the club, which aims to extend women's influ-

Russia's once-closed city of Severodvinsk has looked at the outside world and decided to return to its old solitude. That style apparently suits the White Sea port, whose main industry is building nuclear submarines. After decades of isolation, the city opened its doors in the late 1980s. But that meant an end to the cheap food and subsidized retail products with which the city, like other closed Soviet towns - most of them militaryindustrial centers - were liberally supplied. So oo Tnesday, the local government voted to resume status as a "closed administrative-territorial entity," where visitors without permits are not welcome, io exchange for big extra state grants from Moscow and travel rights for residents.

Eurotumeel officials were already distressed to learn that Jodie Foster would be starring in a feature film about a runaway train in the Channel tunnel. But a few days ago, visitors to Eurotunnel's exhibition center in Folkestone were surprised to see two trains collide on the center's model railway, the first such mini-accident. A spokeswoman blamed dust raised during renovation, and added: "There was a small hiccup with a locomotive. That's ail,"

France's informal Club of Political Humor, which met recently at a Paris restaurant to consider some of the year's better gaffes, gave high marks to Ségolène Royal, former environment minister, who took credit where it was not yet due when she said, "I am very proud of what we have done, and even more proud of what remains to be done!" Another prize-winner was Jacques Chirac, the mayor of Paris, who stuck his neck out to note that "predictions are difficult, especially when they concern the future." Excusez-moi?

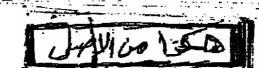
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RABAT, Morocco - The four main opposition parties, split for decades, announced Wednesday that they had adopted a joint platform to cootest elections on June 25 for the 333-seat legislature.

Diplomats say that a united opposition could pose a strong chalenge to the recently formed centrist groups. The alliance comprises the nationalist Istiqial Party, the Socialist Union of People's Forces, the Party of Progress and Socialism, and the Organization for Democratic and Popular Action



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# U.S. Warns China on Conditions of Trading Status whether Congress or the executive branch It is not clear, however, what prom

Washington Pass Service
BELIING — The United States has warned China that it is very likely to impose conditions on the renewal of Beijing's preferred trading status, an American official

The message was conveyed by Assistant Secretary of State Winston Lord, the admiriistration's leading adviser on China, during two days of talks with Chinese officials that ended Wednesday. Mr. Lord is the most senior American official to visit China since President Bill Clinton took office.

The official, speaking to reporters after the talks, did not specify what kinds of conditions might be imposed. But with a U.S. deadline only three weeks away, the remarks suggest that the Clinton administration is gearing up to link human rights, the spread of weapons and China's growing trade surplus with the United States with it most-

favored-nation trading status.
"I think the Chinese are under no illusions," the American official said. "It would

Mr. Clinton must decide by June 3 whether to extend for another year China's most-favored-nation status, which guarantees that Chinese exports to the United States receive the same kind of low tariffs as most other China because 30 percent of its \$85 billion in

exports last year went to the United States. In the last three years, President George Bush renewed the trading status uncondi-tionally and vetoed legislation by Congress to attach human rights and other conditions.

This year, analysts and business executives in Beijing, Hong Kong and Washington expect the Clinton administration to make the reacwal contingent on improvements in China's human rights, weapons sales and trade where we try to make progress," the American official said. "The objective is to make progress and not to lose MFN, which would surplus, which last year hit a record \$18.2 billion, second highest after Japan. Chinese retalization would hart U.S. exports and jobs, as well as Hong Kong, whose economy is ependent on southern China.

have taken dramatic progress not to have some kind of conditions." whether Congress or the executive branch would be in charge of deciding whether Chiha was in compliance.

The official said no final decision had been made. One scenario that is considered face-saving for all sides would give unconditional renewal of the trading status this year. U.S. trading partners. The status is critical to but tie renewal next year to improvement in the three areas,

If the wording calls on the Chinese to make significant improvements and adhere strictly to agreements on proliferation and trade, while making improvements to meet international standards of human rights, the Chinese are not likely to object, analysts say.

progress and not to lose MFN, which would have harmful effects."

Mr. Lord's purpose in visiting China, a stop that was added at the last minute to his But the potential impact of such a decision was to "see what kind of deal he could cut depends on the specific conditions and with the Chinese that he could carry up to

the Hill," said one longtime China analyst. It is not clear, however, what promises, if any. Mr. Lord obtained from the Chinese on what specific measures they might take in the three problem areas in coming weeks. China has released some political prisoners, sent

buying missions to the United States, and it has denied that it has violated guidelines banning the sale of medium and long-range

The American official described Mr. Lord's meetings with acting Foreign Minister Tian Zengoei, Vice Foreign Minister Liu Huaqiu, and Ma Zhengang, director of the ministry's North American Affairs office, as "frank and useful."

Part of the frustration for the Chinese stems from a feeling that there is "no bottom line" in terms of what the Americans want,

even among members of Congress, according to one Western diplomat.

The frustration for the Americans is that Washington is not raising new objections, but trying to get the Chinese to abide by agreements they have signed in these areas, the American official said.



المكرا من الرجل

SMOKING AREA — A cigarette vendor presiding over ber wares Wednesday in Hanoi, where Western brands are widely available despite a ban on their importation and sale. Surugglers bring them from Singapore and Thailand via Cambodia.

# Japanese To Stay in Cambodia

TOKYO - Prime Minister Kii-

chi Miyazawa, under pressure to disengage from Cambodia, said Wednesday that Japanese peacekeepers would stay in place there until elections are held this month. Responding to a clamor result-ing from the deaths of two Japa-

nese emissaries, Mr. Miyazawa said at a press conference. I think the ideal way to make the best of the deaths is to help complete the elections at the hands of the Cambodian people.

Nevertheless, the cabinet decided to ask the United Nations to station Japanese civilians, such as police officers and election observers, in areas that are better protected by UN forces. The cabinet also approved a plan to use helicopters to help the police carry out patrols.

The killing of two Japanese — a

policeman and a civilian volunteer - have triggered calls to pull ont Japan's 600 army engineers, 75 po-licemen and eight cease-fire moni-

Many of Japan's UN policemen are deployed in volatile regions along the Thai-Cambodia border. The policemen, who are not armed, have complained bitterly about the constant danger of artillery attack. as well as food and water shortages.

Mr. Miyazawa said he had not decided whether to withdraw Japan's units after the May 23-27 voting, which Khmer Rouge guerrillas have vowed to disrupt.

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Pyongyang, Stung by Vote, Warns UN Not to Seek Sanctions

TOKYO - North Korea on Wednesday officially spurned a United Nations resolution asking it to open military sites to nuclear

A spokesman for the North Korean government said talk of possi-ble sanctions if Pyongyang failed to heed the resolution was equivalent to a declaration of war.

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The Security Council voted, 13- would never let nuclear inspectors

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yang banquet Tuesday night.

Hours later, the Security Council ssed the resolution, the wording of which had been written with extreme care in response to Chinese concerns that any attempt to pressure North Korea could be counterproductive.

Its objections met, Beijing ab- sites for inspection.

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# The Seven Deadly Sins Among Bad Habits, Some Surprises

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By Jane E. Brody
New York Times Service

OS ANGELES - As if he were a medieval artist depicting the depravity of the seven deadly sins, Dr. Lester Breslow, a California public health specialist, has created a solemn portrait of self-destruction. The weapons are seven unwholesome habits he first identified more than a quarter-century ago.

By following the fates of nearly 7.000 adults living in California's Alameda County over three decades, he proved that the more of these poor health habits people practiced in 1965, the greater their chances were of dying within 10 years.

And now his latest study shows that even fewer people than thought escape the ravages of their health "sins." In a study conducted with his son Norman, a statistician at the University of Washington in Seattle, Dr. Breslow

has shown that the unhealthy habits portend not only early death for many but chronic and costly disabilities for those whn

Two of the poor health practices, as Dr. Breslow calls them, obesity and physical inactivity. are reminiscent of the ancient sins of gluttony and sloth.

The others include both the

predictable - smnking and drinking too much alcohol, and the surprising - sleeping too much or too little, eating between meals and skipping Based on studies he and others did in the 1960s,

Dr. Breslow singled out these seven factors as likely to predict an early death.

His first Alameda County report revealed in 1972 that in combination these poor health prac-

tices could double a person's chance of dying

Now, in his latest paper, published in the journal Preventive Medicine. Dr. Breslow reports that even when the practices do not lead to an early death, they increase the risk that a person will suffer one or more physical or medical limitations that can degrade the later years of life. Their study found that those Californians whose

lives in 1965 were characterized by six or seven of the poor health practices were twice as likely to be disabled 10 or more years later as were their neighbors with no more than two of these bahits. Even without taking age or initial health status into account, among those with no poor health habits or just one, 12.2 percent were disabled, and

for those with two or three poor health babits, 14.1 percent were disabled. In contrast, 18.7 percent of those with four or more poor bealth habits were Dr. Jonathan Fielding, chairman of the board of the nonprofit California Wellness Foundation and chief health-policy planner for Johnson & Johnson, said Dr. Breslow's newest study was "critically important" at a time when the United States is

trying to revamp its approach to health care. "The results really say that how you live determines how long you will live without your state of bealth interferring with the things you want to do or forcing you to make changes in your life to accommodate your health problems," he said in a given day.

telephone interview. The Breslows' findings underscore a theme that public health specialists bave been promoting for decades to a nation that has listened with less than half an ear: preventive health practices are important not only in decreasing premature deaths but also in reducing costly debilitating illnesses.

Dr. Breslow fears that current efforts to overhaul the bealth-care system put the cart before the

horse by focusing on crisis medicine.

"It's a gross mistake to call what is being attempted now by the Clinton administration health-care reform." Dr. Breslow said in a recent interview. "It is medical-care reform. To reform health care, we have to address bow health can be maintained apart from medical services.

There are indications that the Clinton administration is aware of this, but the issue is not yet being tackled as an integral part of the reform

> Dr. Fielding said economic incentives for companies, health maintenance organizations and individuals would be needed to

goad them into fostering and practicing preventive medicine. Dr. Breslow, a professor emer-ims at the School of Public Health of the University of Califurnia at Los Angeles, is perhaps his own best advertisement for the merits of disease prevention.

Noting that he has avoided all seven of the poor health practices for most of his life, the 78-year-old researcher, who retired in 1980, said he worked 'only eight days a week." He also swims, continues to eat sensibly and maintains a normal weight. "With people of the United States now living

typically into their 70s and 80s, the personal and social importance of maintaining health into the later years is mounting." the Breslows wrote. "People are increasingly concerned about how to avoid disability during their longer lives."

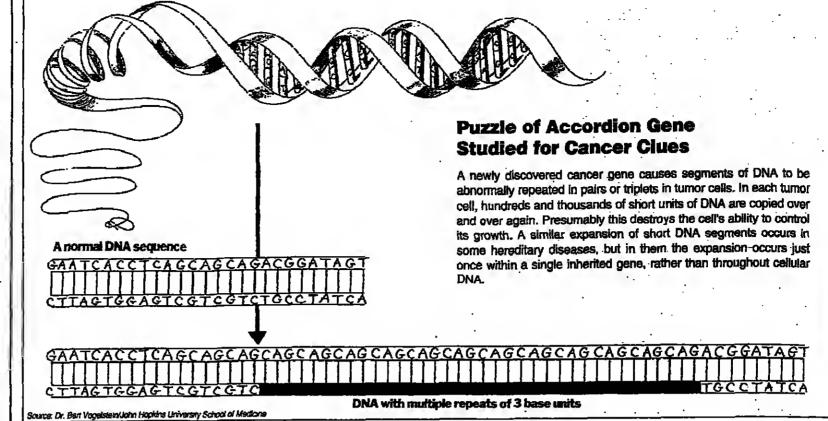
CCORDING to the latest survey of American health practices, the decades-long trend toward healthier living habits bas taken a turn for the worse.

In December, Louis Harris and Associates polled 1,251 randomly selected adults in a survey by telephone conducted for Baxter International, a Michigan producer of bealth-care products and services. The survey included many of the same questions the Harris poll takers have been asking every year for a decade.

The 1992 survey showed that compared with the findings in 1991 or, say, 1983, more Americans were overweight and were eating less carefully, exercising less and getting less sleep.

But for some of the health practices Dr. Breslow has been studying, the survey findings were encouraging. Cigarette smoking, the nation's single most damaging and costly habit in terms of health, was practiced by only 24 percent of adult Americans, and 70 percent of them said they wanted to

The survey also found a rise in the number of people who said they drank alcohol either moderately or not at all, and a decline in the number who said they consumed more than three drinks on any



# Cancer-Hereditary Link Stuns Scientists

at a remarkable connection between hereditary diseases and can-oer that came to light last week. heroditary diseases, can be caused by a strange stuttering in the individual's DNA, the effect of which is that small segments of the hereditary material are copied many

The multiple copying, first discovered about two years ago, startled geneticists be-cause it was a novel form of mutation. Threeunit segments of DNA were present in as many as 200 copies, strung together as if the cell's copying mechanism had jammed at that point and turned out the same triplet of bases over and over instead of continthe DNA strand. These cascades of multiple triplets lengthened with each generation, and the longer they were, the more severe the

Genes with repeated triplets have been found to underlie four genetic diseases: Huntington's disease, myotonic dystrophy, fragile X syndrome, and spinal and bulbar muscle atrophy. In at least two of these diseases, Huntington's disease and myotonic dystrophy, people who developed the disease earlier in life had longer strings of multiple

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who inherit the gene. The gene's existence and approximate location were discovered by teams led by Dr. Bert Vogelstein of the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and Dr. Albert de la Chapelle of the University of Helsinki in Finland.

Dr. Vogelstein said the chances were 90 to 100 percent that people who inherited the gene would develop colon cancer or one cancer of the stomach, small intestine, gall bladder, urethra, pancreas, ovaries, uterus or

But the hallmark of the gene is its effects on tumor cells. The cells have bundreds of thousands of regions where triplets or sometimes shorter units of DNA are copied over problem to the chaos caused by a copying machine that is supposed to produce 10 copies and instead prints 20. How the inherited gene causes the miscopying is unknown.
It differs from all other known cancer genes. Those are mutations of normal genes, which function by putting brakes on cell prolifera-tion. The mutations release those brakes. allowing cells to divide wildly,

As researchers try to understand the new discoveries, they are asking whether the oc-currence of repeated triplet genes in both cancer and hereditary diseases is a coinci-

have an impact on cancer, because they represented a possible way for cells to lose normal controls of growth and develop-ment," said Dr. David Housman, a molecular geneticist at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Now, he added, that bunch

The same view is held by Dr. Stephen Thibodean of the Mayo Clinic in Rochester, Minnesota, who has studied gene expansions in fragile X syndrome and in colon cancer. He reported last week that 17 percent of the patients he studied had these expanded genes and added that there was likely to be a relationship between expanding genes in he-reditary diseases and cancer. There really are a tot of similar titles, he said. Treatly do think that this is more than just chance."

UT Dr. Eric Lander, a molecular biologist at MIT, cautioned that the connection between cancer and the heroditary diseases could be spurious. The cancer gene, he said, may lead more generally to all sorts of mutations

ness. The new cancer gene reported last week considerably broadened that mystery because it showed that a very similar miscopying occurs in the turnor cells of individuals who inherit the gene. The gene's existence have an impact on cancer, because they rep
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In colon cancer, however, the gene's length varies enormously from cell to cell, even within the normal size range, Dr. Ledbetter added. That means that in cancer, genes do not have to become gigantic before their sizes are unstable. He concluded that hereditary diseases and cancer could use very different mechanisms to create the expanded

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For example, Dr. Thibodean said, people with fragile X syndrome have more than 200 repetitions of a three-unit segment in the fragile X gene, but in normal individuals the unit is repeated only six to 60 times. Patients with myoconic dyshrophy have more man 30 repetitions of a unit in their stne, compared with the normal quotient of five to 27.

In cancer, different cells of the timor seem to have different numbers of repetitions, and segments that are expanded in one cell may be of normal size in a nearby tumor cell.

Scientists have no idea what these repeated units do. Researchers have speculated and not be at all specific for repeated triplets.

That could happen, for example, if the cancer gene destroyed a cell's ability to faithfully copy its DNA when it divides.

that they might be sites for recombination, the breaking and rejoining of DNA during cell division. Another possibility is that they somehow enhance the copying of DNA.

But whatever they do, Dr. Vogelstein said, there is something about them that makes them hard to copy accurately when cells are

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"Cigarettes and HIV together double the insult on the immune system," said Dr. Richard Nieman, a research fellow at the National Heart and Lung Institute in London.

The findings are to be published Friday in AIDS, an

international science journal. London, included patients first diagnosed with HIV between 1986 and 1991. Researchers examined medi-

The study, conducted at St. Mary's Hospital in

prior suspicions: HIV-infected people who smoke develop full-blown AIDS twice as quickly as people with the virus who don't or. Nonsmokers included people who oever smoked or had quit at least one year prior to diagnosis and had

not smoked since.

Dr. Nieman said the smokers developed AIDS in Street arrows. about 8.2 months compared to 14.5 months among 21 degree ...

Preliminary research from his lab suggests that the AIDS virus sneaks into lung cells more easily in smokers compared to nonsmokers.

Patients with HIV in lung cells tend to have a worse

prognosis, he said.

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# A Cézanne Tops \$28 Million

By Souren Melikian International Herald Tribune

EW YORK - In a remarkably strong sale of Impressionist and Mudern masters that totaled \$79.9 million. Sotheby's sold Paul Cezanne's still life "Les Grosses Pounnes" for \$28.6 million. The picture, which nearly doubled the high estimate announced before the sale by Sotheby's experts, set a record for the artist.

Painted in the early 1890s, this is far and away the most beautiful still life by the master seen in the open market since it last appeared in London in 1958. It had then sold for £90,000. The Parisbased U. S. dealer Waring Hopkins says that only two other still lifes of comparable quality have been seen in the private market in the intervening years. The paining, which was merely identified by Sothehy's as "the property of a European private collector," was consigned by George Em-biricos, a Geneva-based Greek businessman greatly admired by connoisseurs for his discrimi-

nating eye.

The high price achieved by the Cezanne on Toesday night had a perceptible impact on the rest of the sale by showing potential buyers that

big money is available for art where warranted. It definitely helped the second star lot, the portrait of a Moroccan woman painted in 1912 by Matisse. The standing half caste woman, "La Mulâ-tresse Fatma," is painted in a color scheme bor-rowed from Iranian book painting that Matisse had admired in the epoch-making exhibition of Islamic art held in Munich in 1910. The distortion of the human body betrays the influence of Cubism, resulting in a certain stiffness that did not appeal to all art lovers. Nevertheless, it made it to \$14.3 million.

The third highest price, \$6.7 million, was paid for Renoir's view of a garden, "Femmes dans un Jardin" painted in 1873. Done in juxtaposed color dots typical of the first Impressionist phase, it belongs to a period of Renoir's ocuvre that

hardly appears at auction any more. The picture generated intense bidding. As John Marion's hammer came down on the \$6.1 million winning bid, smiles broke out on the faces of all Sotheby's staff standing on the podium. The room broke out into applause. It was the evening's first success, contrasting with the silence that greeted all works of inferior quality that fell mostly dead without any bidding.

The born-again art market is strong but tough and totally professional.

#### BRIDGE

By Alan Truscott

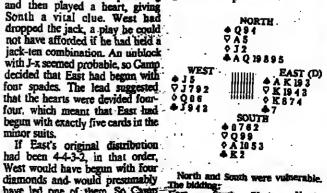
THE defending champions in the 1993 Von Zedtwitz Double Knockout Team Championship are headed by Michael Camp. His team suffered a surprising loss in the first round to a low-ranked squad, but stayed alive in the oncedefeated bracket by winning a decided that East had begon with match Monday night, played at the Young Men's Philanthropic that the hearts were devided four League at 4 East 80th Street.

Camp helped this team considerably with some fine card reading on the diagramed deal. When his partner halanced with two clubs he liked his diamond ten and ventured two no-trump. Barbara Haberman as North naturally continued to three no-trump and West led a

Dummy played low and East

would probably have beaten the made his game. In the replay, East-contract with a routine heart re- West played in three hearts, for a turn. But he cashed the spade king gain of 11 imps. and then played a heart, giving South a vital clue. West had dropped the jack, a play he could not have afforded if he had held a jack-ten combination. An unblock with J-x seemed probable, so Camp decided that East had begun with

If East's original distribution had been 4-4-3-2, in that order, West would have begun with four diamonds and would presumably have led one of them. So Camp have led one of them. So can't concluded that East's original dis. 1 ?. tribution was 4441, and he there Pass fore led to the club king, finessed-dummy's ten successfully and



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# Tough Market Economy Forces Schools to Change

Pushed by demographics, economic conditions and their corporate clients, business schools in the United States and Europe are in the midst of a remarkable upheaval. Top-ranked and less prestigious institutions alike are reevaluating and transforming the traditional style of business education as a result of intensified competition both for students and for funds.

Only a foreyears ago, husiness schools were sure to be deleged by an evercations. Dems lonew that most of their graduates, armed with a solid, classroom-bound mire, of fig. nance, merketing and management courses, were

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Vying for students is commonplace

ployment possibilities. And companies have made it clear to business schools that graduates need new skills for the '90s — among them, the ability to handle cultural diversity in the workplace, commu-nicate more effectively and operators global cu-

in the past, stadents emerged with their MBAs confident that they had "mega" talents in strategy and finance, observes Paul Dunos, associate dem at the University of Michigan School of Business miseration. Compasics aren't so impressed these days. The clients were saying, "You may have that, but you can't

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solve the problems we have." Mr. Denos says. At Michigan, these complaints led to the creation of a program this your that requires all sixdents to devote a substantial amount of their time to internships with corpora-tions. While there, the stodents re-engineer compamy projects or engage in other hands on activities, under the direction of fac-

The London, Business School instituted a revamping of its corriculum this year, stressing internami ampireness and practical problem solving. This was a major Chinge, says Professor Andrew Linconso, deputy principal of the school. Amenda from outside the Language Rangdom, and the molecules as points up re-quisitment in the Far East grams must pay.

and the Pacific Besin, beliewing that a diverse mix is invaluable for those who want to think globally. At the Manchester Business School, courses have been added on corporate responsibility and environmental management. Professor Tony Cockerill, head of the school, notes that "the MBA qualification is becoming generic," so schools now must anpeal to both potential students and companies on

the basis of their unique offerings. Indeed, with close to 700 business programs in the United States and 100 in Britain, the market is apparently nearing the satpration point. There have been no shutdowns of any significant programs, but enrollments at more than a few schools are down. "There probably will be a shake-out of some sort" in the United States, says Dick Kwartier, editor of The MBA Newsletter, a Floral Park, New York publication. "There doesn't seem to be a way

all of the programs could survive until the year Thomas Keiler, dean of Duke's Fuqua School of

Business, describes the hustling for students, money and faculty as "fierce," In terms of funding for private institutions, he says, the situation has been exacerbated by declining state education budgets, which has increased competition for corporate funds for public and private business schools. A growth in business programs at the undergraduate level has sharpened the demand for faculty, thus elevating the salaries that graduate pro-

One way that schools are moving to guarantee more stable enrollment patterns is to establish links to companies that provide special MBA programs for their employees. Michigan is setting up such a relationship with Cathay Pacific airlines, and Mrs. Danos believes that eventually up to 40 percent of the MBA class there could be employees of companies partnering with the school. Michigan's full-time students will benefit from the exposure to workers grappling with "real world" prob-lems, while the Michigan faculty will gain insights into the functioning of the

firms. A decade ago, these inti-mate ties would have been suspect in the academic business world. That changed, Mr. Danos says, with the recognition that "the old notion — that we could stand off and understand what is going on in business — is what got us in trouble."

Some business academics think some caution may be in order. Harry L. Davis, deputy dean of the University of Chicago business school, said at a, recent forum: "As the



Across frontiers: A woman graduate from Beijing studies in Paris for an MBA.

business community keeps saying, 'Do this, do that, add this, add that,' inevitably, business schools will become very consumerdriven. We will end up stocking the store with all kinds of products. As educators, we have to stand up to business and just say

Nevertheless, schools have developed a keen interest in their public image and become more and more conscious of their need to attract students and corporate donors and to help their graduates find jobs. Interest in the media has been fueled by the recent phenomenon of ranking by major American magazines, and more publications plan to jump

into that game. Advanced technology is part of the business schools' campaigns. Dis-kettes are provided to applicants to write their essays for admissions officers. Several top schools now send out videotapes, hoping the visual display will influence applicants' decisions. Duke University's tape, with classical music and warm autumnal scenes, stresses such opportunities as student trips to Russia to observe the shift to a market economy.

Steve Dryden

## More Women Learn to Make Use of the MBA Weapon Long seen as the key to business success, Master of

Business Administration (MBA) programs have attracted a growing number of women over the past 20 years.

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Rumors have suggested a recent reversal of this trend, but in fact, the proportion of female MBA candidates has remained relatively stable at Stanford University (29 percent, 31 percent and 28 percent over the past three years), at IESE (International Graduate School of Management) in Barcelona (20 percent) and at London Business School (23 percent). But female enrollment at the Anderson Graduate School of Management at the University of California at Los Angeles has dropped from a high of 40 percent in 1985 to approximately 30 percent (the national average). It has declined this year from 20 percent to 17 percent at Cranfield School of Management in

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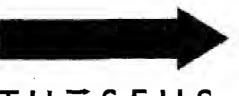
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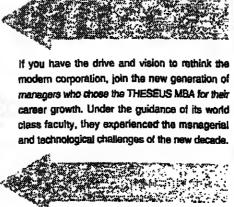
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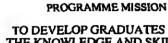
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Programs include actual operations

concentrate our finite executive education budget on upgrading the core skills of pivotal persons."

These core skills, as Mr. Leiter explains, include the cultivation of customer relations and the implementation of sales strategies - "items which have a demonstrable impact on the bottom line," he says. Allianz's focus on management training pro-

grams that provide quanti-

fiable benefits is common to Europe's major companies. Its corollary is an effort to reduce such nonproductive costs as expensive executive sojourns on business school

This results-conscious

corporate environment

has led Europe's thousand-odd executive education institutes to reshape their curricula and change their ideas about where training should take place. Once restricted to language courses and group dynamics, the range of training programs staged on company premises now comprises all of the 20 program categories listed in Manager Seminare, the authoritative trade quar-

Europe's major business schools have joined the rush to provide corporate clients with "partnership programs" (the descrip-

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tainebleau-based IN-SEAD) and "tailored courses" (from the London Business School). The advantages of these programs for companies is obvious: They can adapt proven, general curricula to particular business and management Objectives. But they are also proving a help to sometimes hardpressed business schools.

Flexibly structured

timetables are another method developed by leading business schools to accommodate their corporate clients. The University of Hartford Business School in Paris, for instance, splits its programs by venue and season (six months at the Paris campus, summer months in Hartford, Connecticut) and by segments of the day (offering night school classes in Paris and a Hartford-based summer parttime program).

"More case studies and less psychology" is how Dieter Rogala, managing director of Frankfurtbased Charles Barker Corporate Communications. describes the change in management course content. The term "psychology" is a reference to the late 1980s boom in CI (corporate identity) and CC (corporate culture) courses, in which executives spent weeks establishing "common corporate values" and other identity-building elements of the corporate psyche.

Today's courses are more often about such eminently practical subjects as staff expense-account management or how to track sales performance by In Lancaster, England, students learn the essence of effective management. to mobilize "executive energy," "personal power" and other staples of the jargon-ridden past.

Also involved in the

CBT field are IBM, Philips and Andi, which are seeking to transform corporate management expertise into a new "profit center." High-powered business services and management consulting companies like Ernst & Young and Price Waterhouse are also flocking to the field. Interestingly enough, the "corpor-atization" of the management training field is reportedly farthest along in the Netherlands, which has a plethora of large business media compa-

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# More Women Use the MBA Weapon

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an MBA in helping them gain\_career advancement in a still-discriminating workplace: although women account for about 45 percent of the labor force in business areas, only about 2 percent or 3 percent are senior executives (6.2 percent in Britain) in Europe and the the most "liberal" business environments.

Some schools are mak-

ing special efforts to attract women by proposing special scholarships or counseling. Manchester Business School offers two £15,000 (\$23,610) "Wornen in Management" scholarships each year. The Fontainebleau-based IN-SEAD (Institut Européen d'Administration des Affaires) offers a full-mition scholarship sponsored by ATURUT Andersen and Cos mopolitan magazine to an Englishwoman and a \$10.000 "Cartier" scholar-

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ship to an American woman. UCLA's Anderson School of Management features two fellowships targeted at women, and nine of Stanford Graduate School of Business's over-200 fellowships also give preference to women. But many American schools explain that equal opportunity policies prohibit them from offering genpackages.

Surprisingly, few schools feature tailormade courses, such as the "Women in Management" elective at Cranfield (offered in both the full-time. and executive MBA programs), which includes topics such as political skills, networking and the importance of image. While not gender-specific, the "Managing Diversity" elective at London Business School does deal with male/female issues, dualcareer families and working in international ca-

More schools, such as UCLA, Stanford, London

**Business School and Cran**field, host women's student groups or studentalumnae networks. There. guest speakers, workshops and general support help women to inderstand the difficulties and challenges awaiting them in the workplace, as well as to overcome barriers to promotion - that infamous "glass ceiling" beyond which they can rarely hope to proceed.

Clearly, much remains to be done by European and American business schools to provide women with the psychological and financial incentive to pursuc a graduate degree. Emma Douglas, the first winner of Manchester Business School's "Guardian" scholarship for womcn. says she couldn't have obtained her new job as a product development manager for a financial services company without an MBA. "It shows commitment to a career," she explains: "An MBA gives women an edge in a competitive job market."

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Only a few years ago, applicants were clamoring to get into MBA programs, but the stock market plunge and recession have wrought havoc in business school applications. In the last two years alone, the number of people taking the Graduate Management Admission Tests has

dropped by 20 percent.
This is an industry that had large and undisciplined growth for nearly 20 years," says Charles Hickman, director of projects and services at the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Business. In 1974, 389 U.S. schools gave MBA degrees; nearly 800 do now. MBAs comprise 20 percent of all master's degrees.

"We built to overcapacity," Mr. Hickman says. "The customer — the student — is now king." The shift in students' values away from MBAs, combined with the increased competition among the schools themselves, has produced a need for new promotional tools, including public relations, advertising and more aggressive admis-

More and more of the marketing is being aimed at overseas students. "Programs see overseas students as an untapped source of new, full-tuition-paid students," Mr.

To compete with the new European MBA schools, U.S. schools have turned to outside public relations firms. Their deans have become fund-raisers and public voices to the media and policy makers - all to raise the school's external profile.

Schools are also spending more money on their publications. Even the staid Harvard Business Review made headlines last year when it replaced its editor to make it more reader-friendly (and, some say, advertiser-friendly).

Even top-tier schools are affected. "It's an increasingly competitive market," said Lillian Silver, associate dean for external relations at Columbia Business School. Cohumbia's admission's office has been much more "proactive" in recruiting qualified applicants. School officials have recently traveled not only around the U.S., but also to Japan, India and Latin America.

The Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania has seen admissions drop by 20 percent over three years. Wharton is reaching out, particularly to international



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students, via a videocassette (now becoming as common among business schools as the conventional college catalogue) and an interactive disk that includes information on Philadelphia nightlife and culture, student social activities and even descriptions of the curriculum. Wharton is also conducting interviews with prospective students in 12 countries, including China, Korea and Germany. Offices in Paris and Tokyo aid in recruiting.

Some schools have even hired outside public relations firms. Babson College, a New England business school, has retained Howard J. Rubenstein Associates, a large, high-powered PR firm in New York. Sandra King, who has been Babson's director of marketing for over two years, did not come from an academic background, but from industry and management consulting. "The problems are quite similar to private industry," Ms. King says. The difference is the approach."

Such measures aren't limited to U.S. schools. In Britain, the marketing department at the Manchester Business School has considerably expanded its role in the last two years. The department advertises extensively in print and on Channel 4 television, and generates 100 press Steve Weinstein



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#### Britain, discussed the outlook for business education in an interview with Axel Krause, corporate editor of the International Herald Tribune. Would you say your prime goal is training "Euroman-I don't think there is such a thing as a "Euromanager" per se. But it is true that business organizations in Europe are a lot less parochial, less national than in the past. We have to take account of

Is the MBA making

headway against all the

other kinds of degrees be-

ing offered to those going

It's very curious - in

the United States, the

trend hasn't stalled exact-

ly, but it isn't growing.

And American business

schools seem at last to be

recognizing the need to make the whole thing more process-oriented;

more integrated, more per-

sonal and more interna-

uncontrolled. The same

trend has occurred in oth-

er BC countries, notably in

France and Germany.

So isn't it time to think

about a U.S. style system

of accreditation of busi-

ness schools operating

It's true that things are moving differently in dif-ferent countries, and there

is a huge amount of confu-

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itation system, it is a rather

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does not actually set high standards. Nevertheless,

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> How does the European American version? We are improving dra-

matically. That means we have been moving away from the American parent, and in some cases, exceeding them in flexibility, focus on issues, the focus on the individual and the internationalization of programs, which includes a heavy emphasis on European problems and ECoriented research. This greatly interests our cli-ents. The big American schools are so powerful fi-nancially and in other ways that they really haven't had to change.

How would you describe Britain's attitude toward the MBA? We now have lots of



A European View of MBA Culture

Leo Murray, professor and director of the Cranfield School of Management in

Leo Murray, of the Cranfield School of Management.

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service business. An imversity of Beijing over the portant part of what I do is past five years. Some of to harness and change this our part-time MBAs have culture. There is a lot of been allowed to do projects in China. We have potential for conflict between being an academic faculty exchanges and reand running a business, search projects. We want Reconciling the conflicts to establish a base of is, therefore, a key issue. knowledge there. Do you attach much im-How do you feel about portance to public and press relations? the greater role being

sought by women? When I first arrived, I Being a Scot, I am sensitive to minorities, opposed never paid much attention. to restrictions. Women are But I was quickly amazed slowly increasing their role by the pressure on me from the alumni and peoin business education. ple inside the organiza-tion, who said: Why do Here, 40 out of 155 MBAs are women. And we are

sue, and it's one of the entrenched. As you look ahead to three or four key, strategic the year 2000, what evoluissues on which I work. Over the next five to 10 years, what foreign country holds the most prom-

ise, from your perspective? China is the place to be. Eastern Europe requires an, enormous amount of investment, so the impact of a school like Cranfield or INSEAD can only be fragmentary. And I believe in training the trainers as an approach. We have been running some programs and have had a relationship with the Uni-

we never read about Cran-

field in the press?" So it

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tion do you see in the ways in which business schools First, I believe business schools will become more market-oriented. Secondly, we will see many more joint ventures and stratetutions and with business. Thirdly, although I don't see U.S.-style accreditation emerging, I do see harmonization of stan-

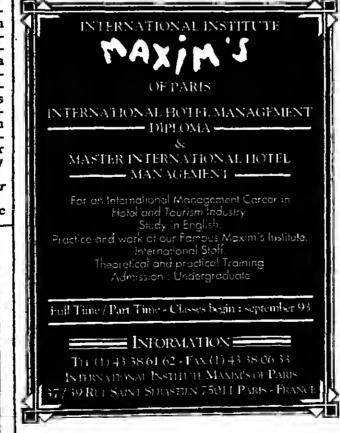
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**BOEING:** Continental Places Big Plane Order

ary and is to stretch through 1997. The airline said it has options for 50 additional 737s.

Continental's 12 767s are to start arriving in

January 1995, and stretch through 1999. Conti-nental also has options for 18 767s. Delivery of

the five 777s will run from August 1997 to April

1998, and the airline holds options for another

Ned Walker, a Continental spokesman, said some of the planes would be purchased outright and others would be leased. "The exact ratio

He refused to comment on reports that General Electric Capital Corp. would lend the air-

line between \$750 million and \$850 million for

the purchases, and that Boeing and Rolls-Royce PLC would provide financing. Boeing also refused to comment on financing arrange-

While the orders are good news for Boeing, "the bad news is that Continental has to pay for them," Mr. Aseritis said. "How much money does GE put down, and how much does Boeing

Continental's emergence from bankrupto

holds options for 25 more 757s

hasn't been determined," he said.

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last month was supported by a \$450 million (Continued from page 1) investment from Air Canada and Air Partners next year, the orders should provide a boost for Boeing stock in the next few weeks, he said. Delivery of 737s is scheduled to begin in Janu-LP and \$160 million borrowed from GE Capi-

"My sense is the more robust the delivery schedule in terms of front loading, the more trouble Continental will have paying for it," The 757s are scheduled to begin arriving at the airline in May 1994, with 25 of the planes slated to be delivered in 1997. Continental Mr. Aseritis said. "Continental's not like GE walking out there and saying: 'I want to buy
100 airplanes and here's the cash."

The new jets' lower maintenance, fuel and labor costs are expected to save Continental nearly \$300 million a year, said Robert R. Ferguson III, Continental president and chief executive. He said the savings will more than pay for the new jets.

For Boeing, perhaps the brightest part of the announcement for is that it actually has orders to announce. "It's better to get orders than to have them canceled," Mr. Aseritis said.

The plane maker has been hit with major cancellations in the last six months, most notably from the Irish leasing company GPA Group Ltd. and United Airlines. The cancellations have also hit competitors Airbus and McDonnell Douglas Corp., triggered by a worldwide airline recession brought on hy persistent fare wars and declining passenger traffic.

Last month. Boeing said it expects 1993 sales to be about \$26 billion, down from \$30.2 billion

Boeing said its 1993 orders now total 107 planes valued at \$6.5 billion. (Bloomberg, AP, NYT, UPI)

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Steve Wood, an economist at

# Producer Prices Stir Worry Over **U.S.** Inflation

WASHINGTON - Prices paid to U.S. factories, farmers and other producers rose an unexpected 0.6 percent in April, the government reported Wednesday, igniting con-

cem about a resurgence of inflation.
The gain in producer prices was
the biggest in more than two years,
and brought the annual rate of inflation at the producer level up to 4.7 percent for the first four months of the year, a Labor Department spokeswoman said. That was double the year-earlier rate.

A 44.7 percent jump in wholesale vegetable prices fueled the big increase in the April producer-price index. Food supplies were disrupted by violent winter storms in March, a government analyst said.

The overall rise, the largest since a 1 percent gain in October 1990, suggests the economy is susceptible to sudden increases in inflation, analysts said, although they added that a prolonged bout of higher prices was unlikely. "Attempts to clear excess inven-

tories should keep prices soft" in the mooths ahead, economists Mickey Levy and Brian Keyser at CRT Government Securities in New York said in a forecast report. Still, inflation is "something we need to keep an eye on," said Mar-

co Babic, an economist at Evans Economics in Washington, but "it's oot runaway at this point." In Princeton, New Jersey, Stone & McCarthy Research Associates

said the report provided "a dose of

"As the economy strengthens, Reuters)

Businesses Bide Time,

## Slowing U.S. Recovery expand on "uncertainty over poli-5

By Sylvia Nasar New York Times Service

NEW YORK - As economic growth has slowed in recent months. s. business executives have exhibited signs of nervousness, Many. have scaled back expansion plans. put hiring on the back burner and held down capital spending.

The uncertainty in Washington is clearly one reason for the hesitation. But even as executives keep (AP, Bloomberg) one eye on Congress and another on the White House, many say their caution comes as much from their own modest order books and economic forecasts as from the political outlook. This wariness comes at a stage in the business cycle when attitudes normally turn more chullient and is likely to help turn predictions for only moderate

growth into reality.
"We quite frankly are waiting to see," said Allen I. Questrom, chairman and chief executive of Federated Department Stores. "We are trying to understand where it's all going. We're just not seeing a lot of activity. We have to be conservative. There's a sense of uneasiness

about the future." Gerry Saylor, chief economist at Deere & Co., the world's largest farm-equipment company, blamed

part of the reluctance of business to

cv." But, he added, "70 percent is explainable by the slow recovery."

Eveo though most forecasts called for slower growth this year 1 than at the end of 1992, unexpect-2 edly sluggish activity in many eco-t nemie sectors — from industria production to retail spending -: clearly is taking its own toll or: business plans. In March, for ex ample, when the forecasting company Cabners Economics asket 400 business executives in its monthly poll what was holding

two-thirds blamed their caution or sluggish economie prospects. It is a theme voiced by executive

back expansion plans, more than

in many industries. We were hoping that the econo my would have firmed up more by now than it has, said James Tread way, president of Scattle-bases Westin Hotels & Resorts, North

America. Mr. Treadway noted that th lodging industry was still slowly digging "out of the hole we found ourselves in after the Gulf War. instead of building new hotels, h said. Westin was aggressively tak

ing over management of its proper The Washington scene is als-See ECONOMY, Page 15

#### we're going to see companies raise prices," said Cynthia Latta, an economist at DRI/McGraw-Hill in Lexington, Massachusetts. "They've had to swallow a lot of price increases over the last few years without passing them on to consumers, because unemployment was on the rise and people

Lana said U.S. Treasury bond yields rose after the report was released. The inflation news came shortly before the U.S. Treasury's sched-uled auction of \$10.75 billion in 10year notes, the second leg in its quarterly refunding effort. The bonds closed when issued trading

with a yield of 5.94 percent. Administration officials counseled ealm. The White Honse spokeswoman, Dee Dee Myers, said the chairman of the Federal Reserve Board, Alan Greenspan, has assured the president that inflation was oot a serious threat. "The news on inflation is good," Ms. the

The sharp jump in the producerprice index prompted a oumber of ) analysts to raise their forecasts a notch for the April consumer-price 3.7 index report, which is due on 1).

Bank of America in San Francisco, said the rise in the food component th of producer prices spurred him to 10 change his estimate for the overall consumer-price index rate to up 0.4 7 percent from up 0.2 percent.

# **Kodak Promises a Broad Restructuring**

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Grabbing a CD From the Wire

IBM and Blockbuster Have a Vision of Entertainment

shops," said Tom Adams, an analyst for Paul

For consumers, the concept promises al-

most unlimited availability and diversity. "If

a 7-year-old comes in on a Friday night and

wants the latest hot video game, the chances are high oow that it's sold out," said David Lundeen, vice president of Blockbuster's

technology division. "But with this system.

it's never sold out - you can get another one

Despite its promise, however, the new tech-

electronically in a couple of minutes."

In a few years, even a

small-town record shop

all the titles of the biggest

nology faces some formidable obstacles. The

new company formed by IBM and Block-buster to run the system, Fairway Technol-

ogy Associates, must negotiate with record

companies, movie studios and game makers

for the rights to sell their wares.

Sony Music, for one, gave the IBM-Block-buster venture a chilly reception. In a brief

statement Tuesday, Sony said it was not sup-

porting the new system, indicating concerns

about electronic distribution of its recordings.

clear to Sony Music what benefit consumers

would derive from in-store copying," the company said, though it added that it was "confident" that IBM and Blockhuster

"Commercial copying is illegal, and it's not

might be able to offer

big-city megastore.

Cagan & Associates, a research firm.

FORT LAUDERDALE, Florida - Eastman Kodak Co.'s chairman, Kay R. Whitmore, outlined for shareholders Wednesday an overhani of the company that he said would lead to record earnings

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches

turned its hungry gaze on a pair of well-

known institutions: the record store and the

video shop.

A bold vision of the future of entertain-

ment retailing, just announced by IBM and Blockbuster Entertainment, could do away

with sprawing stores, aisles and aisles of offerings, and back rooms loaded with piles of inventory — be it the latest Michael Jack-

son recordings, Arnold Schwarzenegger vid-

In a few years, even a small-town record

shop might offer all the titles of the biggest

big-city megastore — not on hand, but sum-moned from the digital files of big computers

thousands of miles away, traveling as elec-tronic impulses to machines in the store that

copy recordings or movies on blank CDs or

International Business Machines Corp.

and Blockbuster Entertainment Corp. an-

nounced Tuesday a partnership to jointly

oursue this vision. The computer giant and

the entertainment retailer will work on devel-

oping the new distribution technology for use

in-house by Blockbuster, which has nearly

3.500 video and music stores. The technology

The concept, analysts say, has several advantages over current methods for putting

recorded entertainment into consumers

hands, eyes and ears. For retailers, it could

eliminate the costs of shipping and inventory

and avoid the lost sales or rental revenues

when popular offerings are out of stock.

retailing for record stores and video rental

"It could well change the economics of

would also be sold to other retailers.

eo releases or Nintendo games.

NEW YORK -- Computer technology has

In a speech that opened the an-mual meeting, Mr. Whitmore said cash flow of \$1 billion, once mentioned as a goal for this year, was "a fraction of what we now intend."

We are a large, complex, technically sophisticated company," he told about 600 shareholders. "We expect as we go forward we will be less large and less complex."

Kodak's carnings have lagged not a 1988 peak of \$1.4 billion. Mr. Whitmore said the company would cut research and capital costs and create a finance commit-

He did not give details of the proposed cuts.

"There's an immense sense of urgency in myself and senior management," he said, "and we will

Mr. Whitmore reiterated that the world's largest photographic-paper and film maker would submit a strategic plan to its committee of independent directors by September that was aimed at cutting debt and increasing cash flow. The plan could include actions such as divestitures, sales of assets, sharing technology with others and changing products, Mr. Whitmore said.

the plan would also include a review that "likely will lead to major tive costs amount to almost 30 perchanges in the asset base."

tee of the board made up of directors who are not Kodak employees. Duff & Phelps in Chicago, said the company had many options for the asset sale that was expected to take place by September. "You could say that photography stays and anything else is up for question,"

Mr. Turner said. The most likely candidates could include the copier business, chemical husiness, or part of Sterling Drugs, which Kodak bought in 1988 for \$5.1 hillion.

Nicholas Heymann, an analyst at NatWest Securities Corp. said the company had plenty of room to cut research-aod-development costs, administrative costs and to lower debt.

cent of sales. Cutting them to

around 25 percent, closer to average for consumer-goods companies, could add \$700 to \$800 milhoo to cash flow, Mr. Heymann said. He said capital-spending cuts could add another \$600 to \$700 million to cash flow.

Kodak investors have been seeking assurances that the company's turnaround is on track. Its stock took a nosedive two weeks ago when Christopher J. Steffen, a turnaround specialist who enginecred a successful restructuring at Honeywell Inc., abruptly quit as Kodak's chief financial officer af-

"would oot engage in commercial piracy."

In its statement, Sony said it had not been contacted by either IBM or Blockbuster.

Meanwhile, the U.S. recording industry,

which must provide the music, remains skep-

tical. Executives say that the current system

works well, and they worry that their own costly factories would be rendered obsolete.

very interesting," said Jay Berman, president of the Recording Industry Association of America. But he said that most record com-

panies did not oced a new distribution chan-

"The music industry is very healthy right

now." said Jordan Rost, marketing vice presi-

dent for Warner Music Group Inc., which has

such labels as Atlantic and Electra. The in-

dustry would be "all ears" if IBM and Blockbuster could demonstrate a real benefit, but

Mr. Rost said his company had yet to hear

Music stores have mixed feelings as well.

Some worry that the technology ultimately might put them out of business, if it became

cheap enough for people to install in their

Matthew Owen, general manager of the

record department at the Washington area's

Olsson's Books & Records chain, said he

would want such a system to get out-of-print

classical titles. But for mass-market music, he

One reason is that Mr. Owen doubted that

the cover and liner ootes, which remain key to

consumers' buying decisions, would be as

attractive and well printed as they are now.
(NYT, WP)

nel for their mainstream business.

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saw little use.

"This is an incredible technology - very,

ter just three months on the job. It was widely reported that the flam-boyant Mr. Steffen had clashed repeatedly with the more conserva-

tive Mr. Whitmore, a Kodak

#### Thai Fire Shows Seamy Side of Growth Workers from the factory told rescuers that box for packaging toys on the ground floor of the factory and not from an electrical fault as factory supervisors met them at the open staircase and tried to block them from flee-

BANGKOK - Exit doors were locked to deter employee theft at the toy factory where more than 220 workers died this week, guards said Wednesday, illustrating the scamy side of Thailand's rush for economic growth.

Construction standards, worker safety and the environment have suffered from the pressure to attract foreign capital and deliver meteoric growth.

Police said the fire on Monday at the Kader Industrial (Thailand) Co. toy factory was not caused by an electrical fault, as had been indicated. They said the fire started in a cardboard box and the cause might have been arson or carelessness.

claimed," said Lieutenant General Prasaru Vongya of the police, who is chief of the Office of Scientific Crime.

Chariya Kongsanga, one of 28 security guards hired by Strongman Co. to work in the factory, said Kader ordered one of two exits on each floor locked after the last worker entered the building in the morning.

"This is not our fault," she said. "We did everything according to company regulations."
At least 182 of the bodies were found at the one starrease accessible to the unlocked exits after the four-story building collapsed.

ing. "They stopped the workers from fleeing and threatened to fire those who did not obey," said Pongpan Meanpan, a police officer overseeing the rescue workers.

Hundreds of workers were forced to jump from the third and fourth storys when they realized a door was locked. Of the 516 people hospitalized most suffered from broken bones from jumping to the ground, doctors said. Nearly 400 remain in the hospital. Kader executives told local television inter-

viewers they had complied with government See FIRE, Page 15

fore deciding."
However, if the central bank

were to step up a plan announced in April to release 120 billion dol-

lars of the 1.1 trillion dollars in

postal-savings fuods held back

from the banking system in 10 bil-lion dollar monthly installments, it

could increase liquidity and help

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# SAFRA REPUBLIC HOLDINGS S.A.

Luxembourg

Value Number 595.11\$ Dividend Payment

At the Annual Central Meeting of Shareholders held in Luxembourg on May 12, 1993, it was resolved that a dividend of USS 2.25 per common share be psyable for the year 1992. The dividend in respect of beaver shares will be payable from May 31, 1993 upon surrender of coupon No. 5 at the counters of the Company's paying agents:

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#### Taipei Bank Chief Says He'll Hold Line on Rates quirement we will also maintain for fore not anxious to lower interest the moment." fore not anxious to lower interest rates and make Taiwan investpercent in the first quarter, 15 per-By Kevin Murphy International Herald Tribute cent was our target. We'll have to watch and wait very carefully be-

TAIPEI - On the eve of discussions with politicians and powerful business leaders pushing him to cut interest rates, the governor of Tai-wan's Central Bank of China, Samnel Shieh, said Wednesday he was unlikely to meet their requests for

discount rate, we will not adjust it

Shich appears instead to favor an increase in the portion of the 1.5 trillion Taiwan dollars (\$59 billion) in total postal-system deposits the central bank will allow to flow into the country's commercial-banking

count rate — the price the central bank charges domestic banks for funds—from its current 5.625 perwan's largest trading partners.

not someone who's all that susceptible to it." Mr. Shieh said "advice" from Washington to appreciate the cur-

rency is "over," removing one ob-stacle to lowering rates. However, the oced to finance an enormous national infrastructuredevelopment program, expected to cost \$300 hillion; a longstanding concern about inflation, and the Taiwan government's worries about a mainland China-bound investment flow that may have reached \$10 billion mitigate against a rate cul.

The central bank's first priority is price stability," said Mr. Shieh. Private-sector liquidity is still high, the money supply grew at 17

Weekly net asset Leveraged Capital Holdings US \$ 56.96 Listed on the

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themselves out of business. "It's not going to happen this year," he said. "But it won't take too many years of seeing reductions of 10 quidity in Taiwan's financial sys- concerned about capital flows from Friday. "The reserve te- Taiwan to China, and was therepercent or so before we begin to see some schools close." CURRENCY & INTEREST RATES May 12 Eurocurrency Deposits C3 Peneto 1,65 1,52° 25,5 21,51° 1,523 1,52° 1,563 1,631 574-514 54-54 7 × -7 %. 7-7% 3 14-3 % 4 75 5 74 314-314

ment. "Used to be, we'd sit around and let the good students come in. Now you have to identify niches and let people know what you And Mr. Hickman, of the business school accreditation organiza-tion, warned that those who failed to adjust to leaner times could find for the moment," said Mr. Shieh, who is expected to announce his verdict on whether to increase li-

system.

the time being.

We are comfortable with the because Taiwan capital has been a Victnam and the Philippines. How-ever, analysts said Mr. Shieh was

Judging from his comments, Mr. ments less attractive.

major force in economic expansion in much of Asia, especially China,

In Taiwan, a sleepy stock market and business interests hoping to refinance debt-heavy balance sheets have urged a cut in the dis-

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In the U.S., the MBA May

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By William Cent 3d

Lew YORK — The Country of growth so robust that they could just at the welcome waves of students year after it. So welcome waves of students as many whether an MBA is worth the time and expense. It was a whether an MBA is worth the time and expense. Since 1990, the number of transfer of students about 3 the country of students taking the Graduate Management Admit the Country of the standard business.

sion Tost, the standard business school currence exam, has fallen

the gravy train," said Charles Hickman, director of projects and services for the American Assembly of Collegiate Schools of Busi-

ness in St. Louis, which accredits graduate schools of business.

"Having said that, I'm not ready to write the obituary for MBA's.

have not yet been compiled, experts who track enrollment patterns

say more sundents are staying in school to wait out the aftereffects of the recession.

Among the major fields of study, only law schools are showing a similar decline in caroliment, although not as pronounced as at

Business schools are trying new tactics to counter this trend. The University of Texas, for example, established a 24-hour toll-free telephone line this year for prospective students. At Kent State University in Otio, the business school hired a marketing firm for the

first time to produce a glossy brochaire promoting its business school.

"This is unheard of," said Richard E. Brown, assistant dean for graduate education at Kent State's Graduate School of Manage-

The fortunes of business schools contrast sharply with those of other graduate and professional schools. Although current figures

even more sharply — 6 percent is not a ticket to the from 1991 to 1992, with a steeper decline expected this year.

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"There's a growing realization

that an MBA is not a ricket to

But the good times are over.

business schools.

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NEW YORK — The Dow Jones industrial average rose to a record high in a mixed stock market Wednesday as investors sought the

security of blue-chip equities.
The Dow rose 13.56 points, to 3,482.31, surpassing the previous record of 3,478.61 set April 16. But declining issues outnumbered ad-

#### N.Y. Stocks

vances on the New York Stock Exchange by a 9-to-8 ratio. "Today's market proves there's still a lot of money out there looking to move into the stock market," said Anthony Conroy, head of capital

markets at Mabon Securities Inc. Treasnry bonds slumped on news suggesting a jump in the infla-tion rate. The government said April producer prices rose 0.6 percent, the fastest rate in two years. The beliwether 30-year Treasury bond fell 18/32, to 103 13/32, 1s

investor fears about inflation.

yields remain relatively low. At its caused volatility in its stock price onarterly refinancing operation, The shares reached a 52-week high quarterly refinancing operation, the Treasury said yields on 10-year of 121% on March 16.
notes slid to an average 5.96 per(UPI, Knight Ridder, Bloomberg)

sold \$10.76 billion of the notes. On the New York Stock Exchange, RJR Nabisco Holdings was the most-active issue, unchanged at 6. Philip Morris was third, falling 11/2 to 50. A judge in Mississippi ruled that cigarettes were "defective and unreasonably dangerous for human consumption" but analysis said it was unlikely the decision would set a

precedent for liability cases. Wal-Mart Stores was second on the actives list, up % to 26%. Chevron was up 11/2 to 87% after it increased its crude-oil reserves by

35 percent to account for its Tengiz field in Kazakhstan. Xerox was up 2% to 76% after saying its Palo Alto Research Cen-

ter had developed a digital writing technology to produce engineering document Echo Bay Mines led the American

Stock Exchange actives, rising 1% to 10%. Gold rose \$4.50 an ounce, with the June contract on the Commodyield rose to 6.85 percent, from 6.81 ity Exchange ending at \$361.80, percent on Tuesday. Oil stocks and gold-mining is-sues were notable gainers in the stock market, possibly indicating the counter issue, down 1½ at 98. A published report said five suita were filed against it for allegedly Nonetbeless, credit-market rectors and financial advisers that

## **European Rate Cuts** Give Dollar a Boost

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches NEW YORK - European interest-rate cuts gave traders reason to buy dollars Wednesday, especially after inflation data made U.S. rates unlikely to decline.

The dollar rose to 1.6105 Deutsche marks from 1.6085 on Tuesday, and it gained to 111.535 yen from 111.400.

The Bundesbank lowered mon-

Foreign Exchange cy-market rates on Wednesday, and the Austrian, Belgian and Dutch central banks reduced their

official lending rates. "The rate cuts in Europe helped push the dollar higher today," said Paul Farrell, chief dealer at Chase Manhattan Bank.

Meanwhile, the U.S. government said wholesale prices rose an unex-pected 0.6 percent in April, the biggest gain in two years. That sign of accelerating inflation makes it un-likely the Federal Reserve Board will push down American interest

Reflecting the worries about inlation, gold prices rose. Gold for fune delivery gained \$4.50 an ounce, to \$361.80. Other precious netals were also higher, with silver or May delivery gaining 12 cents,

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to \$4.371 an ounce and July platinum up \$3.50 to \$385.50.

tral banks sold dollars for Deutsche marks capped the dollar's gains to-day, traders said. The Bundesbank and others were said to be buying marks in preparation for a defense of the Spanish peseta, which has stumbled recently.

European central banks will need marks to sell for pesetas should the Spanish currency threat-en to tumble out of the European Community's exchange-rate mechanism, said John Nelson, chief dealer at Barclays Bank in New

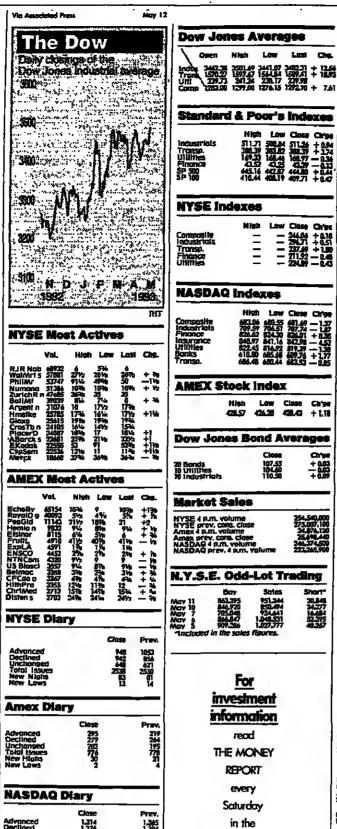
The dollar rose to 118.65 pesetas from 117.98, while advancing to 1.4619 Swiss francs from 1.4580 and to 5.4300 French francs from

The U.S. currency also strengthened against the pound, which fell to \$1.5340 from \$1.5410. Analysts in London noted the pound, which rallied Tuesday, dipped on some uncertainty about the future of Norman Lamont, chancellor of the Exchequer, and whether the ruling Conservative Party might cut interest rates to boost its popularity.
(Bloomberg, UPI)

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## Prague Ends Freeze on Shares

PRAGUE - The Czech government on Wednesday opened the way to the development of full-fledged capital markets by ending a freeze on the transfer of privatization shares to Slovak citizens.

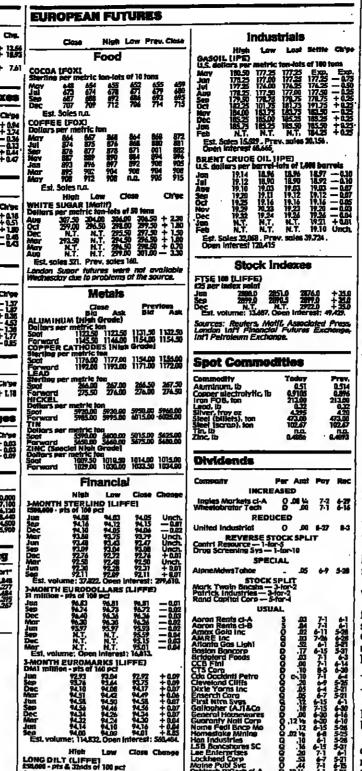
"The government decided to issue shares to all shareholders and privatization funds," Prime Minister Vaclav Klaus said. "The government approved this by a majority."

The freeze announced on March 17, severely strained relations between the Czech and Slovak republics. Slovak individuals and institutional investors had bought about 22 million shares in Czech companies under a voucher privatization program that ended just before partition.

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**Turner Loss After Accounting Change** 

ATLANTA (AP) — An accounting change turned a profit into a loss for Turner Broadcasting System Inc., which reported Wednesday it had a deficit of \$236 million, or \$1.08 a share, in the first quarter.

The loss resulted from the company's adoption of new financial. accounting standards for income tax. Otherwise, the media and sports company said it would have posted earnings of \$20 million, or 8 central

share, in the January-March quarter. In the same period last year, TRS reported a profit of \$1 million and broke even on a per-share basis.

Revenue for the latest quarter was \$398 million, compared with \$365 million in the same three months last year. The company posted revenue gains in all its divisions except syndication and licensing, which declined from \$54.5 million last year to \$50.3 million.

#### Tele-Communications in Fox Deal

ENGLEWOOD, Colorado (Reuters) — News Corp.'s Fox Inc. unit and Tele-Communications Inc. said Wednesday they were forming a new

News Corp.'s chief executive, Rupert Murdoch, said he expected the channel to be profitable in about two-and-a-half years, "depending on our success in rolling it out." He said that the service, which will be provided in Fox's basic cable programming service and distributed by Tele-Communications, needed to reach 40 million homes to break even.

Tele-Communications has 10 million cable customers.

As part of the arrangement, Fox will give its consent to Tele-Communi cations for retransmission of Fox-owned and -operated stations' broadcast signals.

#### **REITs Raised \$1.72 Billion in Quarter**

WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) - Real estate investment trusts raised

WASHINGTON (Bloomberg) — Real estate investment trusts raised \$1.72 billion of capital in the first quarter, putting the industry on pace to exceed last year's record of \$6.6 billion, the National Association of Real Estate Investment Trusts said Wednesday.

The national trade association said five REIT initial public offerings during the quarter raised \$541.5 million, 12 secondary stock sales raised \$830.4 million, and five bond offerings raised \$347.3 million.

The association also said during the first quarter that 16 recently formed or existing REITs made more than 56 real estate purchases are total cost of \$447.4 million. By comparison, in the fourth quarter of 1992, REITs bought 150 properties at a cost of more than \$770 million. The total dollar amount of acquisitions in 1992 equaled \$1.9 billion.

#### Nymex Lifts Comex Bid \$10 Million

NEW YORK (Bloomberg) — The New York Mercantile Exchange increased its bid for the Commodity Exchange on Wednesday to \$20 million from \$10 million, in an effort to appease Comex traders.

Comex traders think the world's largest precious-metals market is

worth at least \$60 million. Negotiations are continuing. The Nymex offer appears more viable than past offers, including one from the Chicago Board of Trade that was withdrawn on April 20, traders said. Unlike the CBOT offer, and a similar one from the Coffee, Sugar & Cocoa Exchange, the Nymer offer promises to pay Comex members cash up front. Traders are also more enthusiastic about merging with the Nymex because it is housed in the same building.

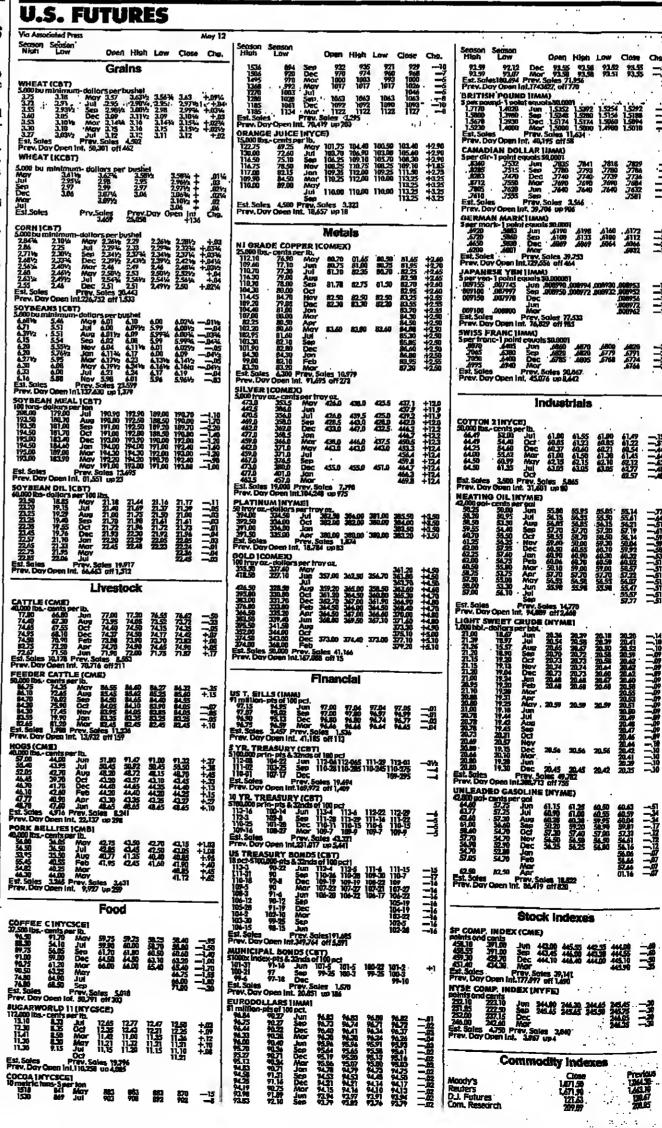
#### For the Record

Whole Foods Markets Inc. said it had agreed to buy Mrs. Gooch's Natural Foods Supermarkets in a stock deal that would combine the two biggest U.S. natural-foods retailers.

(AP)

Daimler-Benz AG's unit Mercedes-Benz AG said it had formed Mercedes-Benz Project Inc., a Delaware-based company, which will be responsible for setting up Mercedes-Benz's passenger-vehicle manufac-turing operations in the United States.

The Midwest Stock Exchange overwhelmingly approved readopting the exchange's original name, the Chicago Stock Exchange. The membership vote came almost 111 years to the day after the May 15, 1882,



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# Signs Point . To Rate Cut In Germany

FRANKFURT - A largerthan-expected drop in a key moncy-market interest rate Wednesday fueled speculation of another cut in official Bundesbank interest rates next week.

Money-market traders and econ-omists said the fall to 7.60 percent, from 7.71 percent, in the Bundesbank's 14-day securities repurchase. or repo rate showed clearly that the central bank was continuing its policy of cautious monetary easing. "It has now become more certain

that the Bundesbank will cut leading interest rates next week," said Gerhard Grebe, an economist with Bank Julius Bar in Frankfurt.

Mr. Grebe had already predicted in a report published last week that the Bundesbank would start curting interest rates at one-month intervals, which would make the central bank's council meeting on May 19 the most likely date for another

· The Bundesbank last lowered interest rates effective April 23, when it cut the discount by a quarterpoint to 7.25 percent and the Lombard emergency funding rate to 8.5

percent from 9 percent. At Swiss Bank Corp. in Frankfurt, Armin Kayser, an economist, also predicted an interest-rate cut on the back of the repo-rate reduction. Separately, the Dutch cut their

three key interest rates by a quarter percentage point, taking the most closely watched one, the securedloans rate for commercial bank borrowings, to 7 percent. The Belgians cut both their discount and emergency lending rates by a quar-

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# Hanging by a Thread East German Lace Maker Needs Aid

DRESDEN - The fall of the Iron Curtain has left Dresdner Spitzen GmbH exposed to a harsh economic environment, and the drapery maker's future hinges on a government program to pre-serve the Eastern German industrial base.

Founded in 1884 and once one of Europe's largest curtain manufacturers, it is now almost crippled by the collapse of its markets in Eastern Europe and by heavy debts.

Dresdner Spitzen is waiting to see if it will be judged fit to survive by its owner, the Treuhand privatization agency, under a government-fi-nanced program to prevent Eastern Germany's

industrial base from disappearing. Alarmed by mass unemployment in Eastern Germany as countless companies collapsed on exposure to capitalism, the Bonn government last year per-formed a policy U-turn and agreed to support so-called core industries for a limited period.

The state government of Saxony, of which Dres-den is capital, has pioneered a program for identifying viable concerns, especially in engineering

and textiles. Dresdner Spitzen has cleared the first hurdle by being designated a company of special regional importance, but a tough, uncertain road lies ahead.
"We still do not know if we will be rescued or not," said Harry Doering, the company's temporary

Dresdner Spitzen emerged from four decades as part of a huge textile kombinat under communism and reverted to its old name as an independent company in 1990.

It is one of around 2,500 companies that the Treuhand, set up to privatize state-owned East German enterprises after unification, still has on its books, either because nobody believes they are viable or because recession has scared potential

Dresdner Spitzen has tried to adapt to capital-ism. It has slashed its work force to 140 from 500 in 1990 and will cut 50 more jobs by the end of June. The company is still working out its survival plan, but the strategy includes leaving its sprawing

factory complex, fall of echoing empty corridors, and moving into a more compact building. It also aims to boost productivity, trim its current range of around 150 products, including curtains and lace used in expensive women's underweat, and concentrate on the most profitable items.

Unlike many Eastern German businesses, its technology is up to Western German standards. As an important earner of hard currency, it used Westipment even under communism.

In 1990 and 1991, it used bank loans to buy five

Western German textile machines for 1.2 million Dentsche marks (\$745,000) each. "These machines are the most modern there are," said Lutz Riefenstahl, the company's production manager. "Technically, we have nothing to

fear from our competitors."

The end of communism led to the almost total isappearance of key markets in the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe. Dresdner Spitzen's sales plunged to around 7 million DM in its 1991-92 nancial year from 28 million DM the year before. Sales should hold steady at around 7.5 million DM this year, but interest oo loans will eat up around 1.6 million DM. In the long term, we will not make a profit unless our debts are taken over,"

said Mr. Doering, the finance manager. That is where Saxony's Atlas program for helping troubled companies may come in. Manfred von Kruechten, head of the Atlas project team, said his group identifies companies of regional significance and then examines their survival strategies with the Treuhand to see if they are feasible.

The final stage, for companies that get that far, is for the Treuhand to arrange financing for the companies and assist them on the path to recovery.

The Treuhand has so far agreed that 62 companies in Saxony should be supported under the Atlas program. Sixteen other hopefuls have been rejected and will go into liquidation.

The Boon government insists it is not abandoning its free-market principles. It says it will not help lame-ducks, privatization remains the ultimate goal and support will not spare companies from having to make painful staff cuts.

# **Slump Cuts Swath** Through Sales at French Companies

PARIS — A string of French companies reported Wednesday lalling sales figures for the first quarter of this year, in the latest sign that slumping demand and high interest rates are taking their toll on industry.

The slide in sales, orders and prices bore "the hallmark of a real recession, you could even say a slump," Jerome Seydoux, chairman of the textile and communications conglomerate Chargeurs SA, said at the company's annual meeting.
He said that Chargeurs, whose sales fell 16 percent in the first quarter, was reducing its work force by 10 percent by cutting more ICI Unveils Price than 1,000 jobs.

Twelve other companies also reported falling sales. The glass maker Saint Gobain, one of France's biggest companies, said sales fell 10.2 percent while the computer maker Groupe Bull said revenue dropped 10.6 percent.

The drinks concern Pernod Ricard's sales dropped 2.4 percent while Remy-Cointreau sales fell 9.9 percent in the year to March 31.

The downturn in the first quarter

was due particularly to a sudden slump in demand, which compounded problems caused by high interest rates, first raised in September to defend the franc, said Christian Berthius of the economic forecasting firm Rexcode.

The Bank of France has since lowered interest rates, a move followed on Wednesday by commercial banks. Banque Nationale de Paris led the way, cutting its base lending rate to 9 percent from 9.25 percent, starting Friday.

Despite recession, a lew of France's bigger companies did manage to report higher sales in the first quarter. Sales at the defense and electronics concern Thomson-CSF rose 0.7 percent; those at the luxury goods company LVMH Moet-Hennessy Louis Vuitton were up 3.6 percent, and the oil companies Elf Aquitaine and Total had sales up 5.3 percent and 0.6 percent respectively.

# For Zeneca Issue

LONDON — Imperial Chemi-cal lodustries PLC, unveiling de-tails Wednesday of Britain's biggest and most complex demerger, priced the £1.3 billion (\$2 billion) rights issue for its biosciences arm Zeneca at 600 pence per share, the

top end of market expectations. Zeneca, which comprises 1CTs pharmaceuticals, agrochemicals and specialties businesses, will split from the industrial-chemicals giant on Juoe 1, subject to the approval of shareholders in ICL.

1C1 shareholders will hold one oew Zeneca share for every ICI share they own when Zeneca shares start trading on June 1. As Zeneca iovestors, they will be offered five oew shares for every 16 they own.

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Newspaper Publishing PLC of Britain, owner of The Independent and The Independent on Sunday, said Spain's El País and Italy's La Rebubblica were raising their stakes to finance development of the titles. • A Chrysler Corp. executive, Gerald Greenwald, was named chairman of

the board of the Czech truckmaker Tatra Koprivnice. Tatra said.

 Dentsche Aerospace AG has received EC clearance to take over Fokker NV, the Dutch aircraft manufacturer, the EC Commission said.

• In Sweden, a government-appointed committee is expected to recommend a tax cut to 12.5 percent from 25 percent on the sale of stocks and to 12.5 percent from 30 percent oo dividends, to take effect in 1994, the m financial newspaper Dagens Industri reported.

• J. Sainsbury PLC, Britain's biggest food retailer, said pretax profit for 3.7 the year to March 16 rose to £732.8 million (\$1.13 billion), from £628 1).

• IFIL SpA, the international investment arm of Italy's Agnelli family, said net profit bad risen 18.6 percent in 1992, to 192.8 billion lire (\$135; th million), from 162.5 billion lire a year earlier. Reuters, Bloomberg, AFP, AFX, AP

## STRIKE: 300,000 Take to Streets as German Confrontation Escalates

toward right-wing radicalism, and broken union contracts. The unions did not protect themselves enough then and we all know what happened. This time, we will protect ourselves." Hit hard by recession, the collapse of markets in Eastern Emope and the unexpectedly high cost of reunification, German industry is

searching for solutions to sinking profits.

Many companies have staffed or scrapped plans to expand into Eastern Germany, and companies such as General Motors' Opel sobsidiary, one of the largest investors in Eastern Germany, have scaled down production there.

This strike is not comparable to any previous labor strife in the history of German since World War H, said Franz Steinklich

chief of IG Metall, the country's largest ration.

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the world and the most holidays and all that," said Yfiksel Kaygun, an inspector at the Berlin plant of BMW AG. "But we're accustomed to all that leisure time. To lose that would be very, very hard. And you can see they are planning to

take it away." Like some politicians in Chancellor Helmut Kohl's Christian Democratic Union, many employers say German workers must get used to the idea that, unlike their parents, they cannot expect the work week to get shorter every year even as their pay and benefits increase. "Anyone who grew up in Germany after the

war has experienced ever-growing affluence and ever more generous distribution of riches," said an editorial in the conservative daily Frankfurter Allgemeine.

"Fines have changed," the editorial said.
"Outcompanies levels and all these extra perks
collarge: Communic competitiveness." But in Berlin on Wednesday, the thousands

about structural problems in the economy. "All right, times are tough, money is short," said Jürgen Lemke, an assembly worker at Robert Bosch GmbH, an electronics company.

"But if the big companies don't pay the little people enough, we can't buy anything and then

the companies can't sell their products." Both sides have agreed to resume talks Thursday, but union leaders say they expect the strike to get much larger before any progress is made toward an agreement.

■ Health Plan Is Challenged

German industry and employers associations, challenging a key project of the Kobl government, united on Wednesday to reject lans to expand State health insurance to cover the elderly and chronically ill, Reuters reported

They said they could not accept costs estimated at 13 billion Deutsche marks (\$8 billion) a year, even if Mr. Kohl was able to compensate offices of Siemens AG did not want to hear

# **GATT** to Arbitrate **U.S.-EC Car Dispute**

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches GENEVA - The General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade said Wednesday it would arbi-trate a complaint by the European Community on U.S. car taxes after the two sides failed to sort out the problem on their own.

The taxes include a 10 percent levy imposed since 1991 on cars costing more than \$30,000. Last year, the tax brought \$296 millioo to U.S. coffers and did oot affect the Big Three automakers in Detroit.

The second item is the Corporate Average Fuel Economy law, which is charged if all cars in a company's fleet fail to aver-moving.

age a minimum fuel economy. currently 27.5 miles per gallon (8.8 liters per 100 kilometers). European carmakers have paid most of the \$230 million CAFE fines assessed since 1985, with Mercedes-Benz accounting for \$102.5 million.

The third tax is charged to any buyer of a car that gets less than 22.5 miles to the gallon in combined city and country driving.

Separately, trade officials of Canada, Japan, the European Community and the United States are to meet in Toronto on Friday to try to get the stalled GATT trade-liberalization talks

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Kader's latest cosmony report, for the first six mouths of last year, illustrated the economic pro on the factory. It criticized the Thai enterprise for failing to reach an operating loss still being itt-

Kittipek Thavisti, a labor specialist at Thamsman University in Bangkok. To attract foreign investors, especially from Taiwan and Hong Kong, you have to overlook some of the labor regulations."

Theriand is not the only place where workplace tragodies have oc-curred. Just last month, the Malaysian government cited a fireworks manufacturer. Bright Sparklers

noe parties of the and explosion and 22 people and injured 103

The fire-fighting equipment was because impropriate," said Abhiait Wijajiwa, spokesman for Prime Minister Chan Leekon. record at the Kader building was spious. "There have been at least two to three fires at this factory," the spokesman added, noting the govment had formally warned Kader in a letter in February to

improve safety at the plant.

At a cabinet meeting Tuesday, the prime minister raised the issue

of shoddy construction. The Kader factory was built during Theiland's construction boom of the late 1980s. The rush to build created a serious shortage of ce-ment, and to save on costs, contracsors cut corners on safety.

(Reuters, Bloomberg, AP)

TAIPEI: Cut in Rates Is Unlikely ECONOMY: Business Is Wary

(Continued from first finance page) fund priority projects without speeding capital flow to China.

We can make the capital available, and we can know where the funds are flowing," said Mr. Shich of the plan to release postal savings to banks for use in domestic project lending. We have to do it step by

If they were to cut interest rates then you might get more bquidity in the short term," said Enzio von Pfcil, S.G. Warburg Securities' regional economist in Hong Kong. But there will be less of an opportunity cost vis-a-vis investing in

However, much of Taipei is bet-ting th central bank will compromise, making a token cut in the discount rate of 25 to 50 basis

The net effect of the first release of funds has yet to be seen," said Gloria Wang, head of research for China Securities Investment Trust Corp. in Taipei. She estimates postai deposits released to commercial

While pressure from the United did not see further depreciation necessarily translating into domes-

Taiwan's trade surplus has been shrinking. With the United States, for instance, the surplus bas been halved, to \$7.8 billion, from \$16 billion, over the past four years. Although some exporters argue a that weaker currency would help sell their wares, Taiwan could, with 30 percent of its imports coming

from Japan, see net disadvantages
"Depreciating currency without
increasing productivity, technological innovation and improving research and development is no so-lution to anything," said Mr. Shich.
"The currency should seek an eco-nomic fundamental level. Unless

there's seasonal fluctuations or speculation, the central bank will leave it to the market. We're quite comfortable with the rate."

banks may spur six times as much (Continued from first finance page) making many executives uneasy. To some executives, the defeat of States to strengthen Taiwan's cur- the administration's economic rency has abated, Mr. Shich said he stimulus package signaled that other Clinton programs to help the economy — including strengthen-ing the infrastructure and developing new technologies — face rough sailing, and that, too, helped cool

The Clinton administration has been extraordinarily ineffective in getting the pork through," said T.J. Rodgers, the chief executive officer of Cypress Semiconductor Corp.

"The political side reinforces the economic side," said Kermit Baker, chief economist at Cahners Economics. "If the economy were healthier, we'd see a different reaction to some of the plans being proposed in Washington."

The economic and poliocal un-

certainties are affecting growth

plans in many different ways. "It's not a great market in which to raise capital," said JJ. Finkel-

a five-year-old biomedical compa-ny in Rockville, Maryland, "We had to fuod our launch from within. It hasn't really stopped us, it's just given us less of a cushion. It's Health-care companies are par ticularly restrained now, Mr. Fin-

nove of Cryomedical Services Inc.,

said. "It's difficult for medical companies to make decisions when they don't know where they'll be tomorrow. At the meetings I attend in my industry, the single most common question and discussion is where health-care reform will come out."

Of course, to the extent that prospects brighten and the economy starts looking better, that, too, feeds on itself.

"Once business thinks prospects are brighter, they start investing, said George Hatsopoulos, chief ex tham, Massachusetts, high-techoology company.

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| Loan volume              | 7,612    | + 7,8%                    |
| Securities portfolio     | 2,331    | +32.4%                    |
| Capital                  | 527      | + 1.9%                    |
| Total capital base       | 830      | + 2.0%                    |
| Interest income          | 192      | - 2.2%                    |
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# Japan's Economy Still Sputters Report Mentions Recovery but Signs Remain Mixed

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TOKYO - Japanese businesses, which have been waiting since early spring for an economic recovery, were told Wednesday that they will have to wait longer.

Despite a spate of upbeat economic news since the beginning of the year, and a report Wednesday that used the word "recovery" for the first time in nearly six years, the governor of the Bank of Japan, Yasushi Mieno, told reporters that private consumption remained weak and corporations were holding back on investment. Government officials and private economists say a recovery in these two areas of the economy will not happen until at least the second half of the year.

"It's too early to say the economy has hit bottom," said Adrian Tschoegl, Swiss Bank's

Some of those auguries were contained in the Economic Planning Agency's monthly re-port. The agency, which is in charge of present-ing the government's official line, said that "some signs of recovery are emerging in the nation's economy," the first time the report had mentioned recovery since August 1987.

short-lived and we think they suggest the economy is improving," said Takao Komine, an official of the agency.

For example, housing starts in March rose

9.2 percent from a year earlier, following a 6.3 percent increase in February. March sales of condominiums have been particularly brisk, up 8.6 percent from a year earlier, the report said.

industrial production grew for the second consecutive month on month on a seasonally adjusted basis, up 0.5 percent in March from a year earlier. Industrial shipments rose 1.6 percent on the month in March, recording the third straight month of increase.

However, private consumption and capital investment have remained shuggish, the report said. Mr. Komine pointed to auto-sales figures. Sales including small-sized vehicles dropped 9.5 percent on year in April after recording a 3.3 percent increase in March, the first increase over the previous 24 months.

Surveying the conflicting government pronouncements, many private economists say there is still more bad news than good. Mike Naldrett, an economist in Tokyo for Kleinwort Benson, said there were several necessary preconditions for a recovery that need to be met.

Corporations have yet to bring their costs in line with dwindling revenue amid the glob-al economic slowdown, Mr. Naldrett said in a report released at the end of April.

Over the next two weeks, the balance of publicly listed Japanese corporations are scheduled to release earnings, and profits are forecast to fall by an average of 28.4 percent the third consecutive year of declining profits.

The stock market is bracing for the stream of corporate bad news. After railying for weeks on government efforts to support prices, the benchmark Nikkei average has fallen for the past three days.

Mr. Mieno said the problem loans would not keep banks from fueling a recovery with new loans when the economy does turn around. But the governor was reserved in answering questions about the prospects for recovery. "Right now the economic outlook is rather spotty," Mr. Mieno said.

# News Corp. Emerges From Turnaround With Jump in Net

Wednesday a 133 percent surge in third-quarter aftertax profit. to 190.7 million Australian dollars (\$134.1 million).

The media concern said profit shot up largely because of improved results from its newspaper, magazine, television and freestanding insert units.

A dramatic lift in earnings from its associated companies, the Brit-ish-based BSkyB satellite-television husiness and the Australian airline and transport group Ansett Transport Industries, also contributed to the jump in profit, News Corp. said.

The company said per-share earnings in the third quarter rose to 11 Australian cents from 5 cents a year earlier. For the nine months, those earnings were up to 38 cents from 32 cents.

For the nine months ended March 31, News Corp. said. aftertax profit rose 47 percent to 643,5

Investors flocked to News Corp. stock on the announcement. The stock price surged 29 Australian cents to 7.72 dollars.

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SYDNEY — Rupert Murdoch's by Mr. Murdoch, was near bank-News Corp. capped a remarkable ruptcy two years ago. Asset sales, two-year turnaround by reporting capital-raising and aggressive cost controls have sawed the company's debt by more than one-third and paved the way for profit growth

over the last two years. The latest results pave the way for the media company to post a l billion dollar profit for the full year, said Brad Orgill, who follows News Corp. for Potter Warburg. He predicts News Corp. will make a profit of 977 million dollars in the year ended June 30. "Being that close they'll probably push them-selves over the 1 billion dollar line," Mr. Orgill said.

Mr. Orgill said there were no surprises in Wednesday's results. Revenue in the third quarter was up 4 percent at 2.6 hillion dollars, and rose 3 percent in the first nine months to 8 hillion dollars.

Lower earnings in the group's movie and book publishing arms were offset by gains in other busi-

Profits at Twentieth Century-

From Corp. were off signifi-cantly." News Corp. said.

The company did not hreak down the figures for mdividual business units in its quarterly results release. (Bloomberg, Reuters)

#### nounced the first portable versions of digital compact-cassette players, the new music format they hope will replace conventional analogue cassettes. Matsushita plans to start selling the unit in Japan in June under its Panasonic label, for 60,000 yen (\$540). Sega Enterprises has come up with a way for video-game fans to pit their skills against one another from four separate units anywhere in the world. The technology is being incorporated in an improved version of. Sega's worldwide video-arcade hit "Out Runners." an auto-racing game. the

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• Nintendo Corp. is raising its prices in the United States to cope with the effects of the stronger yen, the Nihon Keizai newspaper reported. But a m company spokeswoman said the price rise did not reflect the higher yen, but Nintendo's desire to produce higher-quality goods.

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• Wing-Merrill International of the United States has signed a \$2.4 billion 1). ontract to supply China with a combined-cycle gas-turbine power plant, the South China Morning Post reported.

• Taiwan's foreign-exchange reserves totaled \$83.2 hillion in March, an increase of \$748 million from February, the Central Bank reported.

Hong Kong rules permitting the Bank of China to issue bank notes in the colony will be put before the Legislative Council next month. Currently only Hong Knng & Shanghai Banking Corp. and Standard Chartered Bank issue bank notes denominated in Hong Kong dollars.

 Mitsubishi Electric Corp. and SGS-Thomson Microelectronics Holding NV said they sealed an agreement to jointly develop flash memory chips. Bloomberg, AP, Reuters, 4FP, 4FX

# Shanghai Petrochemical Delays Listing

HONG KONG - Throwing cold water on the great expectations surrounding listings of shares by state-run Chinese companies directly n Hong Kong, Shanghai Petrochemical said Wednesday it probably would not list this year.

The biggest of the nine state-run companies thosen to list. Shanghai Petrochemical was choen by the Chinese central government as the irst to list because of its sheer size: 72,000 imployees and 14 square miles (36.4 square cilometers) of factories, housing and bospitals outside Shanghai.

Shanghai Petrochemical embodied all of Chita's hope, that big, inefficient state companies bould rise from the ashes and transform themelves into lean corporations in which foreign-To would want to invest. Those hopes may have

"It's tough to swallow when someone tells and that 80 percent of your company is not necful." said Norman Li, director at Smith New Court (Far East), "But that's what merchant rankers fold Shanghai Petrochemical, The Citi-

nese company wasn't expecting such a harsh

What is clear is that Shanghai Petrochemical grossly underestimated how hard turning a monohith into a corporation would be.

Shanghai Petrochemical had made plans to split its plants into three divisions. The first would focus on the core business of petrochemical production and employ about half of the 72,000 employees, said analysts close to the company who declined to be further identified. That portion of the company would list in Hong Kong and on the Shanghai A-share mar-

The second division would be responsible for social-welfare operations, including schools and hospitals, which would be run by local officials. The third section, which would pick up all the remaining pieces including property development and transportation, would remain a state-owned company, they added.

Naturally, workers at the plant did not take kindly to being divided into the haves and havenots. Only employees working in the listed part of the company would enjoy the bonuses, divi-

dends and profits that flotation would bring. The other half of the workers would remain state employees, and that prospect led to dissension.

"There was a virtual rebellion by the staff since just over half of them were going to be left ont," said Andrew Bell, director of South China Capital Ltd. "The fundamental problem is, how do you maintain a social enterprise after it is listed? The way Shanghai Petrochemical was going to do it left a lot of unhappy employees,"

"Listing some of these companies is tantamount to listing a community," said Julia Charlton, partner at the Stephenson, Harwood & Lo law firm in Hong Kong.

Analysts say three of the companies vying for

a listing are certain to make the Hong Kong board this year. Most of the nine will be listed next year, they said.

Analysts expect Guangzhou Shipyard or Beijing Renmin Machinery to be neck-and-neck for the first listing. Guangzhon Shipyard's flotation is likely to be about 130 million Hong Kong dollars (\$16.2 million). Beijing Renmin is likely to place 100 million dollars worth of

# Hang Seng Tops 7,000

HONG KONG — The Hang Seng index smashed the 7,000point barrier on Wednesday as investors celebrated the first Chinese-British agreement on Hong Kong since a dispute flared up last year over the colony's democratic reforms.

The stock market brushed aside new warning signs of trade friction between China and the United States, and the

points, or 2.35 percent, to close at a record 7,002.60.

Tuesday's long-awaited agreement by the Sino-British Land Commission on Hong Kong government land sales powered the market past 7.000 points for the first time ever, brokers said.

Investors seemed to ignore that the deal was only a minor

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waits of electricity a day. Two of the four existing plants will be taken out of operation by the next year. The project will cost early in the next century, the officials said. The new plant is needed The government-owned power to meet Singapore's projected elec-

The first phase of the proposed power station at Tuas, at the western end of the main island, will use only low-sulfur fuel oil for electricpower generation, an official of the Public Utilities Board said.

The first phase is expected to be completed in 1998 and the remain-ing three phases will be completed

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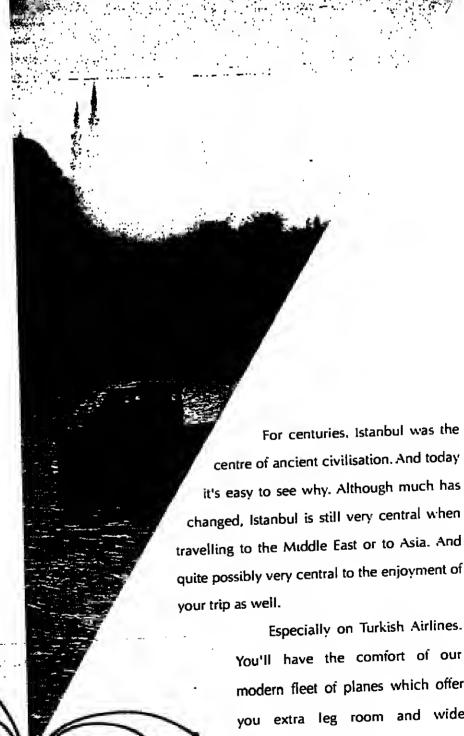
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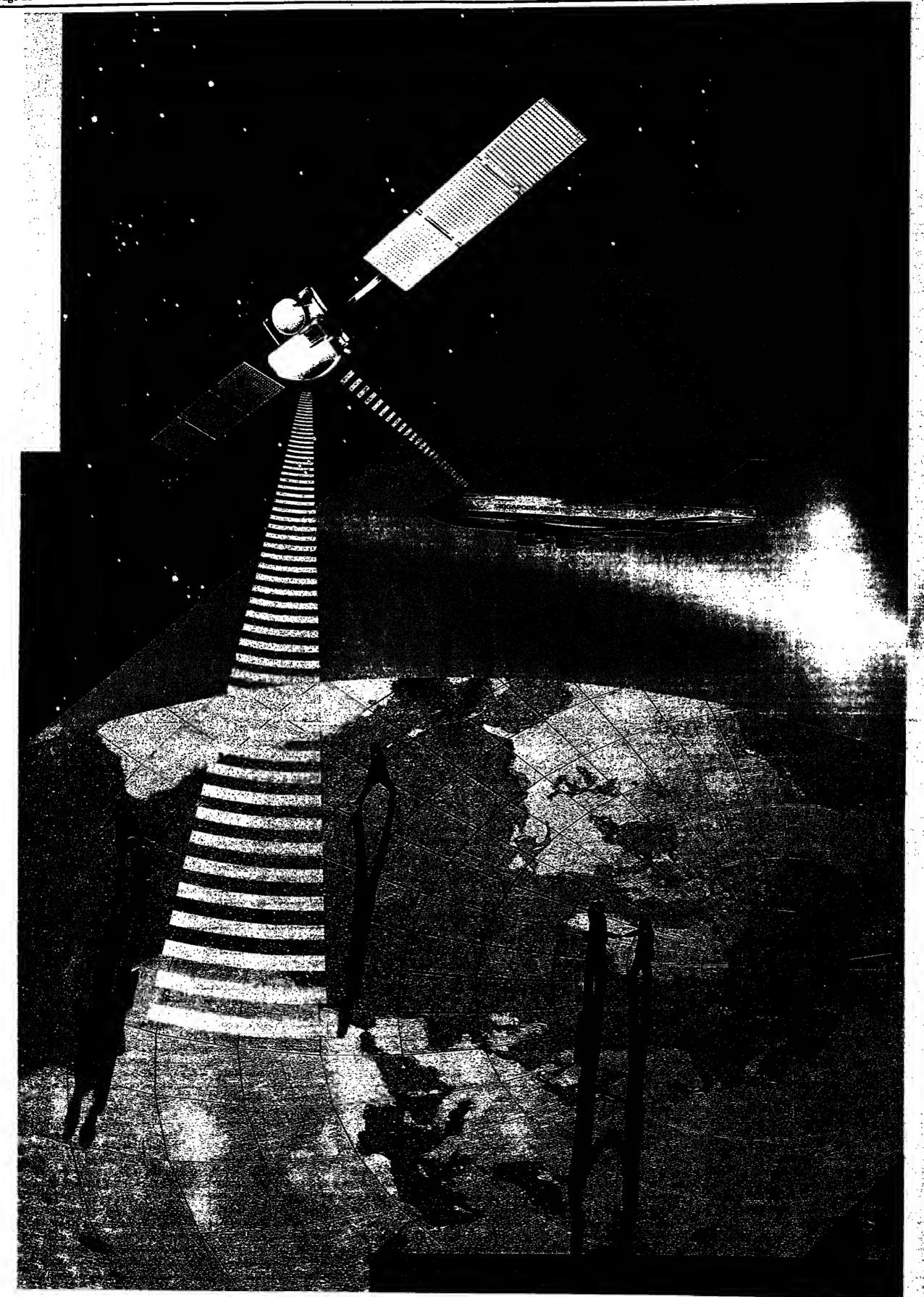
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# Clemens Fans 13, But Is Overtaken by Mariners' Johnson

The Associated Press

Roger Clemens took over the major league lead in strikeouts. June 18, 1988, at Memorial Stadi-Two hours later, he lost it.

Clemens struck out a seasonhigh 13 as Boston beat Baltimore, ÷0. on Tuesday night. But Randy Johnson regained the strikeout lead by fanning nine in the Seattle Mariners' 4-3 victory over the Chicago White Sox.

Johnson, throwing fasthalls clocked at 99 miles an hour (159 kilometers an hour, upped his strikeout total to 63 — four more than Clemens — as he allowed only

#### AL ROUNDUP

two hits in seven innings in snapping Chicago's five-game winning streak. Clemens was even more impressive, pitching his 35th major league shutout, a five-hitter. He walked two and did not allow a runner past second base until the ninth inning in lowering his ERA to 1.73. As usual, the accolades for Clemens (5-2) were filled with superla-

evervone else," said Baltimore's manager. Johnny Oates. "We were facing Zeus tonight," said the Orioles' starter. Ben Mc-

McDonald kept the game close until the seventh, when Boston got two runs to go up, 4-0. Mike Greenwell got three hits and Ivan Calderon hit his first homer for the Red

Howard Johnson said he didn't

want to think about the embarrass-

ing base running gaffe that resulted

"It's just something that hap-pened," the New York Mets' third

baseman said Tuesday night.
But a lot of somethings have

been happening to the Mets, whose 7-4 loss to the St. Louis Cardinals

Dohnson made a throwing er-

for during the Cardinals' four-run

first inning.

• The Mets' pitchers botched two plays at first and misplayed a

"That's the way their luck is go-

With Todd Zeile hitting a three-

run homer in the first, Osborne

took a 6-0 lead into the fifth but

ended up allowing four runs in 5% innings and said, "Good thing we

The higgest one came after John-

son walked and Chico Walker got

Johnson thought Todd Hund-

ley's short-hop grounder to second

baseman Geronimo Pena had been

caught on the fly. He froze a few

feet off second base as Pena threw

to shortstop Ozzie Smith for a

forceout, and Smith threw to first

an infield hit to start the second

ing," the winning pitcher, Donovan Osborne, said after ending a vic-tory drought that stretched back to

was their 12th in 15 games.

force attempt at second.

his first start of the season.

got some hreaks."

More of the somethings:

It was Boston's first shutout in Baltimore since Clemens did it on

Mariners 4, White Sox 3: In Se-attle, the AL West-leading White Sox took a 1-0 lead on Ellis Burks's homer in the second, but Chicago's only other hit off Randy Johnson was Lance Johnson's single in the

The Mariners took a 2-1 lead against Dave Stieb in the bottom of the second on Mike Blowers's tworun single. Seattle made it 4-1 in the third on Jay Buhner's RBI-triple and Tino Martinez's run-scoring

single.

Frank Thomas hit a two-run in the ninth. homer with one out in the ninth, hut Norm Charlton then struck out George Bell and Robin Ventura for his seventh save.

Tigers 12, Blue Jays 7: Alan Trammell and Travis Fryman each drove in three runs and Milt Cuyler got a career-high four hits as De-troit won in Toronto.

Yankees 5, Brewers 1: In New York, Mike Witt continued his comeback from major elbow sur-

en innings.

The Yankees got three runs in the first on Paul O'Neill's two-run donble and a sacrifice fly from Dion James, then added two in the third on Mike Stanley's two-run

Angels 5, Twins 3: Chili Davis

Cards Pounce as Mets Bungle

First baseman Gregg Jefferies

kept Johnson frozen by running

toward second before throwing to

Smith for the tag as the Cardinals

turned their first triple play since

Sept. 5, 1991, in San Diego. "You're stuck," Johnson said.

Which seemed a perfect summa-tion of the first five weeks of the

Pirates 8, Phillies 4: With four

With the score 4-4 and one out

NL ROUNDUP

that inning, Andy Van Slyke walked and Jeff King singled him

to third. Then Orlando Merced sliced an RBI single, pinch-hitter Lloyd McClendon doubled in a run

and Tom Prince singled in another.

lasted 51/3 but contributed a single

a rare pitching battle at hitter-friendly Mile High Stadium, out-

ducled David Nied of Colorado to

Aided by three double plays and

two base runners who were caught

stealing, Swift faced only two hat-

ters over the minimum through sev-

ing streak and reclaimed first place Chicago.

The Pirates' starter, Dave Otto,

straight hits, visiting Pittsburgh scored three runs in the seventh to

cool off Philadelphia.

There's nothing you can do."



gery by holding Milwaukee to three hits while striking out eight in sev-

SIDELINES

and Damion Easley hit two-run singles as visiting Minnesota beat

Athletics 6, Rangers 0: In Oak-land, California, Bohhy Witt cooled off Texas with a three-hitter, beating his former teammates

in the ninth. San Francisco has no

Rohby Thompson doubled

Braves 5, Astros 4: Jeff Blauser

got three hits and an RBI before

Ron Gant's homer in the sixth for

ning gave host Cincinnati two runs

- to ruin Wally Whitehorst's first game since surgery on his right el-bow last October.

The Padres, who have made 34

errors in 31 games, had a hase run-

ning lapse that led to a double play.

Expos 6, Marlins 4: Marquis
Grissom drove in three runs, two

with a tie-breaking double in the

seventh, and Moises Alou doubled

games. He left at the end of the

run with one out in the 10th in

Martinez's shutout hy homering in

Cubs 2, Dodgers 1: Pinch-hitter

Rick Wilkins ended Ramon

in two runs for host Montreal.

twice, stole third once and scored

complete games this season.

twice for the Giants,

them. The Rangers had been hit- expected to miss more than one ting 306 in their last eight games.
Nolan Ryan, examined by the Rangers' team doctor, was found to

farianc's double - the last of three have strained the hip muscle that is consecutive pinch hits by visiting attached to the hrim of the pelvis in the pitcher's left leg. He was put on seventh that gave Cleveland its

# a rehabilitation program and is not fifth straight loss.

#### Ngugi Cleared by Kenya Officials

A two-run homer by Dante Bi-chette finished Swift with one out NAIROBI (AP) — Five-time world cross country champion John Ngugi, who had refused to take a drug test for IAAF doctors, had his suspension lifted Wednesday by Kenyan sports authorities, although he still faces a ban of up to four years from track's governing body pending

Isaiah Kiplagat, chairman of the Kenya Amateur Athletics Associa-tion, said its investigations supported Ngugi's stand that his refusal when the doctors visited his farm in central Kenya arose from misunderstand-

risiting Atlanta ended Houston's Kiplagat said Ngugi was unaware of out-of-season tests, had always three-game winning streak. Reds 4, Padres 2: San Diego before been accompanied by officials known to him, that army regulations prevent dealings with foreigners without authority from superiors

— Ngugi is a soldier — and that further misunderstanding arose because
the runner speaks very little English. made four errors - consecutive fielding mistakes in the second in-

#### Schultz Resigns as Head of NCAA WASHINGTON (WP) - Dick Schultz, who built a reputation based

on integrity during a 40-year career in college sports, has resigned as executive director of the National Collegiate Athletic Association.

His announcement Tuesday came soon after the NCAA released an

independent investigator's report concluding that Schultz "had actual knowledge of at least some" of the improper loans made to athletes while he was athletic director at the University of Virginia from 1981 to 1987. Schultz, 63, continued to deny he knew about the loans, saying he made up his mind to resign about a half-hour before he announced his decision. which he said he made because "there was a downside risk that this could and triple, good for three RBIs.

Giants 5, Rockies 3: Bill Swift, in the sixth, extended his hitting streak to 12

#### irming with a strained groin muscle. For the Record

The U.S. Davis Cup team's captain, Tom Gorman, said that Pete Sampras, Jim Courier and Andre Agassi are "very interested" in playing the qualifying-round match Sept. 24-26.

Nigel Benn's defense of the WBC super-middleweight title against Lou Gent has been rescheduled for June 26 because the British champion has pinched a nerve in his shoulder.

the seventh. Eric Karros tripled in The Chinese city of Tientsin will stage the next world table tennis championships, in 1995, with Belgrade having the option of hosting the 1997 tournament, the ITTF announced. (Reuters) the third and scored on Jose Offerman's single for a 1-0 Los Angeles

# Parma Defeats Antwerp, 3-1, To Take Cup Winners' Trophy

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches LONDON - Parma outplayed Royal Antwerp, 3-I. Wednesday in the European Cup Winners' Cup final for the Italian club's first Eu-

ropean trophy.

For Parma, which dictated the pace of the match and dominated the Belgian club almost throughout, it was a great achievement, coming in only its second season in European competition and its third in the Italian first division.

About 37,000 fans at Wembley Stadium in London saw Parma repeatedly break through to create enough chances to have won the game by six goals. The Italian international Alessandro Melli, who scored Parma's second goal with a superh header, tormented the Antverp defense all night.

Melli wasted a number of scor-ing chances in the second half, but the team was so much in control that Coach Nevio Scala left star forward Fuastino Asprilla on the bench throughout the match. As-prilla was doubtful for the match after cutting his leg earlier this

Parma went ahead after just nine minutes when Lorenzo Minotti, the captain, scored from a corner.

But in a fast-paced, attacking match the Belgians struck hack three minutes later through Francis Severeyns, and it was not until Mel-li's goal in the 30th minute that the Italians took command.

Stefano Cuoghi capped Parma's scoring six minutes from the end with a precise lob over Stevan Sto-janovic, catching the Antwerp goal-ie out of position.

#### ■ Israel and Bulgaria Tie A surprising Israeli team battled Bulgaria to a 2-2 draw Wednesday

in a European Group 6 qualifying match for the 1994 World Cup. The Israelis, who were last in the the group standings going into the match, battled back from a 1-0 halftime deficit to take a 2-1 lead

late in the match before Bulgaria salvaged the tie. The tie left Bulgaria in second place in Group 6 with 9 points. France leads the group with 10 points after six matches. Israel moved into lifth place. The two top teams in each European group advance to the 1994 tournament in

the United States. Malta 1, Estonia O: In a match between the last two teams in Group I, the visitors won on Kristian Laferlo's goal in the loth min-

That gave Malta three points from eight matches, while Estonia has one point from four matches. Switzerland leads the group with 12, followed by Italy with 10.

• The French international Eric Cantona, a key player in Manches-ter United's Premier League tri-umph in England, played the last month of the season with a hroken

Ferguson, said Wednesday. Cantona played with a light ban-dage on his right wrist to protect a fractured scaphoid bone.

 Martin O'Neill turned down the chance to succeed Brian Clough as Nottingham Forest's manager and opted to stay on as coach of the Premier League newcomer Wyc-

(AP, Reuters, AFP, UPI)

Ivanisevic, who was cheered on by a priest in the crowd who waved

• In Berlin, top-seed Steffi Graf overcame a first set humiliation by fellow German Sabine Hack, the No. 10 seed, and rebounded for a 0-6, 6-3, 6-2 third-round victory in the German Open. Graf had last been shut out in the

1992 French Open semifinals, where she also rallied for a three-set victory over Arantxa Sanchez Vicario. No. 2 seed Gabriela Sabatini opened with an easy 6-1, 6-0 victory over Germany's Marketa

Kochta in the second round. No. 3 seeded Mary Joe Fernandez beat France's Isabell Demongeot, 6-0, 6-3, while fellow American Jennifer Capriati, seeded No. 4, struggled with her concentration in the second set before overcoming Germany's Wiltrud Probst, 6-2, f. 25224-6, 6-0.

Hack, ranked 19th in the world, forced the No. 2 Graf into a series at the .... of unforced errors with patient ::: baseline termis and wrapped up the Trixe - first set with a forehand winner in the set of the set o front a capacity crowd of 5,500. 4 3% "I wanted to do too much at It (L. ...

first," Graf said. "I expected her to : Time: play well, but I really did expect Graf dropped her serve again to all behind, 2-1, in the second and appeared to be en route to her first

defeat by another German since losing to Sylvia Hanika in the first round of the U.S. Open in 1984. But she regained control of her powerful forehand to break Hack's serve in the lifth game, then wore

down her 23-year-old opponent and, on the third match point, got her 100th victory in Germany.
(AP, UPI)

# Sampras, Courier Head for Showdown

ROME - Pete Sampras and Jim Courier, the No. 1 and No. 2 seeds, overcame stubborn opponents

Wednesday to reach the round of 16 in the Italian Open. Courier was taken to three sets hy Paul Haarhuis of the Nether-lands, who is ranked No. 83 in the world, hut then turned on the power to win, 6-3, 2-6, 6-0, as Haarhuis

double faulted on match point. "I got a little tentative but recov-ered for the third" set, said Courier, the defending champion.

Sampras followed him onto the

center court and defeated Alex Corretja of Spain, 6-4, 7-5, hut was down 4-5 and 15-40 in the second set before saying two match points to stave off a third set.

Boris Becker, the No. 3 seed, beat Hungarian qualifier Sandor Noszaly, 6-3, 6-2.

Courier's opponent in last year's final, Carlos Costa of Spain, fell in his second round match to Sweden's Christian Bergstrom, 6-2, 6-7

Also winning were No. 4 seed Goran Ivanisevic of Croatia, who wrist, the team's manager, Alex Sweden, 6-3, 6-4; No. 8 seed Andrei Medvedev of Ukraine, who defeated Kenneth Carlson of Den-mark, 6-2, 6-2, and No. 10 Karel Novacek of the Czech Republic. who beat Niklas Kulti of Sweden,

> a Croatian flag, said he is finally getting over some early season inju-ties that slowed his game on clay.

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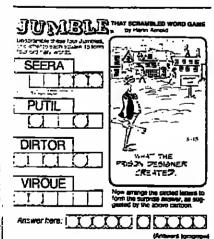
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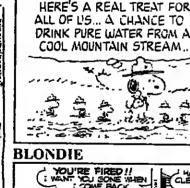


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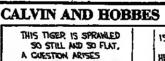




















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# SPORTS BASKETBALL Toronto, A Last Shot at a Miracle: L.A. Close On Semis By Isin Thomsen International Broad Tribuse By Isin Thomsen International Broad Tribuse By Isin Thomsen International Broad Tribuse Challenge after years and years of prepara-

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispatches The Toronto Maple Leafs, the laughing stock of the National Highly League for nearly a debate, find themselves one victory they of their first Stanley Cup semid in 15 years.

Dayo Andreychuk scored two power-play goals on Toesday night and Misolai Borschevsky collected a goal and two assists during a 5-1 and appear over the St. Louis Bines that gave the Maple Leafs a 3-2 leaf in their four-of-seven-game

If the Maple Leafs advance, the turning point in the series will be raced to their 4-1 victory in Gume

4, when they were able to overcome the previously unflappable Curtis

readered nine goals in two straight Toronto victories after yielding just seven over the first three games of the series — two of them going to

going into Tuesday's game, ap-neared rattled when Toronto sormed the net to open the game. Bob Rouse, on a power play late in the first period, broke a 1-1 tie with a long slap shot past the

Andreychak's second power-play goal of the game, 4:38 into five second gave the Maple Leafs a twogoal advantage and was his 10th of the playoffs, tying Lanny McDon-ald's club record for postseason goals set in 1977.

Andreychuk stole the puck from a St. Louis defenseman, Rick Zombo, before slipping it under

Borschevsky upped the lead to 4-1 off a rebound at 11:11 and Glean Anderson capped Toronto's scoring in the third with his 83d playoff goal, which moved him past Man-rice Richard and into firm place on

Kings 4, Canacks 3: In Vancouver, Gary Shachak, a reserve forward, scored at 6:31 of the second overtime to give Los Angeles a 3-2 lead in the Smythe Division final,

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aziona) Herald Tribune MUNICH — Tim Taylor may well be the last of his kind with a chance at performing miracles. He will coach the U.S. Olympic. lanckey seam next year — probably America's final hope for a remeannation of 1980, when free-enterprise amateurs and nevermondabe's appear the Soviet professionals.

"I would be surprised if you wouldn't be seeing a Dream Team in 1998," Taylor said. "Philosophically I had some troubles accepting it, but I think ultimately it's going to happen. I think in this day and age of Olymhappen. I think in this day and age of Civin-pae competition, everybody, from the head of the International Olympic Committee to most of the governing boards of the various sports, wants to see the best athletes in their respective sports in the Olympics. The whole amateur-professional issue is pretty mud-dled and pretty much a thing of the past."

Philosophically, Taylor prefers that past. If 1980 is special to him, it is because he had just become the coach at Yale University, where he has won three Ivy League champi-

"Looking back at life, one of the bad decisions I made was to turn down Hubie Brooks' invitation to be assistant coach of the 1980 U.S. Olympic team," he said. "I think he wanted someone from the East. We had been on the national team together in 1965. We had a nice friendship. But I felt at that time I couldn't leave Yale. I was in my third year there."

He considered, on the eve of the 1980 Olympic semiimal, just up and driving with another coach to Lake Placid, New York, 10 see the Americans play the Soviets. It was a long drive from New Haven, Connecticut. Would they find tickets? Where would they stay? He was busy at work. They didn't go. A country that already knew the score celebrated that night as it watched the nationally televised replay. Taylor watched, too, gasping at what he had missed.

He accepted the job of Olympic assistant coach in 1984. When the coach, Bob Johnson, was stricken with the brain cancer that was to kill him, Taylor led Team USA to a salver medal, its best finish, in the 1991 Canada Cup. There he admired the professionalism of National Hockey League play-

But his greatest honor came last May, with his appointment as Olympic head couch, and this time he left Yale, though only on a one-year's leave. Then last summer, as he prepared for the job that demands miracles, those demands began to change.

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challenge after years and years of prepara-tion. It's supposed to be about the blood, sweat and tears you expend doing your best for your country and for yourself."

Taylor's problem is with a concept that threatens passion with professionalism. It is obvious, too, that the NHL won't necessarily come to rescue America.

"No. 1, we're not going to be playing Angola," Taylor said. "There's going to be nobody on the other teams lined up to take their picture with Magic Johnson before the game. Those countries have teams that they think can beat NHL teams, and they have proven it. The thing people have to understand, you have a Dream Team from the NBA. But when it's the NHL, it's not just one Dream Team, it's a Dream Tourna-

Dream Teams would be able to gather no more than two weeks before the tournament, which goes against Taylor's ideal. He wants his team, apparently the last such, striving together as other Olympians do.

Dave Peterson, a controversial U.S. coach, made gut decisions and honored them —a necessity, perhaps, given the com-ings and goings of players in the midst of a professional season. In that sense, Taylor is an opposite. He will mult options, devising tactical portraits and film packages of his own players and all of their opponents, preparing his team for everything he can imag-

"How do we differ?" Taylor said of his close friend, who will remain with USA Hockey as technical advisor. "I think I may have a tendency to prepare a team more specifically, more tactically than would Dave. It could also be a fault of mine, because you have to avoid paralysis by analysis. Dave certainly was good with that."

To that end Taylor is going to lobby clubs to release their Olympic candidates to him following the NHL training camps. He worries that additions in January will disrupt team chemistry, though he admits the 1992 team benefited from such additions.

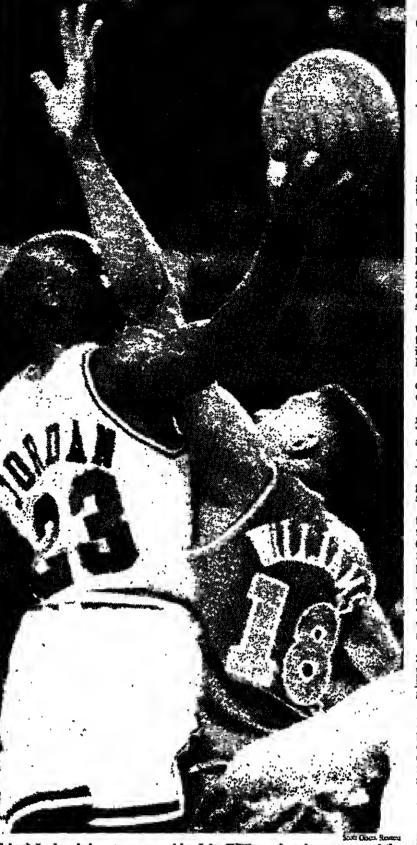
He will invite no more than 90 players to two week-long tryout camps at Lake Placid, beginning May 30 and June 14. A maximum of 30 will be invited to a final camp in Angust. Taylor does not intend to run a "sixmonth tryont,"

Among the leading amateur contenders have to be the nine collegians who joined him here for the recent world championships, from which the U.S. team was hounced in the quarterfinals by finalist Sweden. The Americans fielded the youngest team, its senior being 26-year-old Ed Okzyk of the New York Rangers.

"We've been taking a good look at the teams here," said Taylor, who was coaching the U.S. squad for the fifth straight year. "Many of the teams" in the Olympics "will be identical to what we're seeing here."

If the concept of American underdo on its way out, it will leave on fast skates, he DOMNISCS.

"We will be skillful, too, but it will be a young skillful, a young speed," he said. "The trick will be to give the third and fourth S's - strength and some success - to all that speed and skill.



Michael Jordan, being strong-armed by John Williams, found a way around the Cavaliers, scoring almost half the Bulls' points. He got 16 in the final quarter alone.

ages of 8 and 12 when it happened. They

He was talking about 1980 again. His players will take the ice knowing they can win, regardless of the odds. He will be the

"All the kids who are playing now, 20 to "I think more than ever our young players experience is, what to expect," he said. "Still, despite the tremendous rush and positive feeling from the 1980 experience, everyone who knows anything about bookey knows that we have a long way to go to do that again without the assistance of a miracle." That's what he's looking for.

# Jordan Drives **Bulls Past Cavs** With 43 Points

all along they would have to stop Michael Jordan. Like many before them, they failed miscrably. Jordan, sensing his teammates

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were out of sync because of a weekiong layoff, scored 43 points — almost half his team's total — to lead the two-time champion Chicago Bulls to a 91-84 victory Tuesday night over visiting Cleveland in the opener of the Eastern Conference semifinals.

Jordan, who was 16-for-30 from the field and 11-for-11 from the foul line, entered the game averaging 38.9 points against the Cavahers in the playoffs. He couldn't resist making a

crack about Cleveland's concerted "I felt the Jordan stopper had a

rough time tonight," Jordan said.
"When I'm at my best it's tough for anyone to guard me."
Gerald Wilkins, the designated Jordan stopper, was first in agree.
"I could see in his eyes he wasn't

going to get any assists," Wilkins said. "He was out to score." Jordan scored 16 points in the fourth quarter, which the Bulls entered with a 64-63 lead. He made it 68-63 with four consecutive points, then later pumped in 10 straight to pot the Bulls up, 83-72.

"Some of our guys had a tough time getting into thythm and I had to elevate my play," said Jordan.
"The rest left us a little stiff. We were slow getting to loose balls. We missed game situations."

Jordan had in take control with Jordan Gets

Scottie Pippen scoring only 9 points and Horace Grant, who inured an ankle in the first half, getting only 6. Suns 98, Spurs 89: In Phoenix,

Kevin Johnson, his team's shortest player, offset David Robinson's dominance inside with his ballhandling and 25 points as the Suns took a 1-0 lead in their best-of-7

Robinson had 32 points and 10 rebounds for San Antonio.

Johnson was fouled oo a drive to the basket with 2:39 left in the ceived 51 of a possible 52 points game and made two free throws to give the Suns a 92-85 lead. Then the 6-1 (1.85-meter) guard managed to get a jump ball away from 6-9 J. R. for the third time in four years. Reid and feed Richard Dumas for a Rodman, the leading rehound basker

made it 94-87, with Danny Ainge picked for the fourth time, finishing it off with two free throws and a lay-up in the final 20 seconds. Dumas scored 22 points and Charles Barkley had 18 points and Antonio, Larry Nance of Cleveland

The Cleveland Cavaliers insisted the only other Spur in double fig-ll along they would have to stop ures, with 19.

But Carr played only 14 minutes and scored just six points in the second half after picking up his fourth foul 55 seconds before half-

That left Robinson to carry the load, and the 7-1 center scored 21 points in the final two periods. The Suns held leads of at least 15

points in each quarter, and each time Robinson led the Spurs back. The Suns had escaped lying their all-time low for a playoff quarter 11 points, set May 2 in the fourth

#### NBA PLAYOFFS

quarter of an 86-81 loss to the Los Angeles Lakers — when Dan Majerle sank a 3-pointer in put them up by 46-38 at halftime.

• The Washington Bullets an-

nounced that Wes Unseld will re-main their coach for the 1993-94 season, even though the team has gooe four straight years without making the playoffs.

• Rik Smits signed a multiyear contract with the Indiana Pacers.

on the same day he uoderwent arthroscopic surgery on his right No terms of the agreement were

released, but it was widely reported 3.7 earlier this year that the 7-4 Dutch center would sign a 5-year, \$17.5 million deal after the playoffs.

# A for D, Too

The Associated Press NEW YORK - Michael Jordan

of the Chicago Bulls and Hakeem Olainwon of the Houston Rockets 15 have been camed to the NBA all- ic defensive team with Joe Dumars / and Dennis Rodman of Detroit d and Scottic Pippen of the Bulls. Jordan, on the team for the sixth a straight season, led the NBA in

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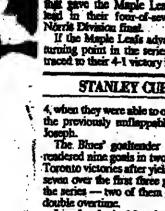
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Buchwald vice president is Warren Tenderloin, When I arrived he was sitting at a card table in front of the main gate of his factory with a stack of bills in front of him. There was a line of people as far as the eye could see. Warren was counting out the bills and shaking hands with each person.

"Originally we intended to buy out 5,000 workers, but 25,000 told us they would accept our offer." "It sounds like a lot of people," I

"That's the idea. The more staff we can lay off, the more favorably Wall Street views us, and the more

#### Empire Library Saved in Britain

ONDON - The world's finest library on the history of the British Empire has been saved from dispersal by a fund drive that raised £3 million (about \$4.5 mil-

The organizers said the money was raised to the 50-nation Commonwealth to keep together the 350,000 books, maps, documents, letters and 70,000 photographs belonging to the Royal Common-wealth Society.

The society and its library were founded together in Northumberland Avenue off London's Trafalgar Square in 1868. The society, which operates as a club for its 20,000 members worldwide, announced in December 1991 that it would have to sell the library, its only disposable asset, to pay off an overdraft of £3 million.

WASHINGTON — The magic our stock goes up. Our profits now come from the number of people we can buy out rather than from making screwdrivers."

Warren kept talking and count-

"How do you do it?" "Our company is considered the best-managed in America because we have eliminated the one thing that business doesn't need - work-

Will you ever reach a point where you won't be able to make screwdrivers because no one is

"There's always that possibility, but management can't worry about little details. Our main concern is to stop a waste in our manpower. If we can't make screwdrivers here,

then we'll make them in Istanbul." "I'm curious, Why do you think so many people have accepted the buyout!

Warren replied, "Because the workers figure that they will be laid off any way, so they might as well get a few bucks out of it. I'm con-sidering taking the buyout myself as soon as I pay everyone else off."

At that moment a very oattily dressed man came up to the table. "Hello, Warren, would you please

Warren counted out the cash. Then he turned to me and said, That was the chairman of the board. He's cashing in oo his own buyout. If he wants to leave, things must be really bad."
I suggested, "Perhaps you ought

to take your buyout before it's too

"I can't. I still have 21,000 people to pay off."

The line kept moving.

Another man arrived and said, "I would like to purchase a gross of screwdrivers for my hardware

Warren told him, "You've been waiting in the wrong line. But since you're here, how would you like a boyout of your store? We'll give you \$10 for every week that you've worked there." "I don't want a buyout - I want

"Go in the factory and help yourself. Nobody's there.

# White House Politics Hollywood Style

By Bernard Weinsaub

New York Times Service L OS ANGELES — The long-running attraction between Washington and Hollywood has often proved fatal when Hollywood struggles to make movies about Washington.

"The trouble is Hollywood often treats Washington cyni-cally," said Gary Ross, the screenwriter of "Dave," a decidedly uncynical movie that opened in the United States over the weekend to some of the best reviews in years for a comedy. "Dave" opened relatively strongly, coming in second at the box office after another new film, "Dragon: The Bruce Lee Story."

"A political film works if it's also an idealistic film," said Ross, 36. "That's why films set in Washington succeeded in the 1930s. I don't think you can do a film where one cynic takes on another cynic or a hustler takes on hustlers. What's the point of that? People want to feel renewed about their politics."

"Dave" stars Kevin Kline as the modest, thoroughly decent owner of a temporary-employment agency in Balti-more. What makes Dave unusual is that he looks exactly like the president of the United States. (Kline plays him,

Hired as a stand-in for the president, Dave soon be-comes the real thing when the chief executive suddenly has a stroke. And he turns 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue into a much more humane place, to the rage of the chief of staff, a despot who gives Machiavelli a bad name.

The film, directed by Ivan Reitman, also stars Sigour-

ney Weaver, as the first lady who despises her real busband and falls for the impersonator, and Frank Langella, as the chief of staff.

Seated in his office at Universal Studios, where he is writing his next film, Ross said "Dave," a Warner Brothers movie, had already been greeted enthusiastically in Washington by Presideot Bill Clinton, who watched it at a special screening at the White House.
The idea for the movie came to him while he was

watching the Iran-contra hearings, said Ross, who says he enjoys politics as much as he enjoys movies and is lond of pointing out all the people he knows in Washington.
"Some of those White House chiefs of staff were, let's face it, megalomaniacal," he said. "These guys were as powerful as the president, if not more so. So I wondered what would happen if one of these guys did not want to let go, if the horse they rode suddenly collapsed but they dido't want to collapse with it."

Although the film is a fairy tale, its comic realism is enhanced by the appearances of such real-life Washington personalities as Senators Paul Simon, Christopher J. Dodd, Alan K. Simpson, Howard M. Metzenbaum and Tom Harkin, who improvised their lines in accordance with their own styles and ideologies when asked about a fictitious presidential jobs program.

Also appearing in cameos are an assortment of television journalists who perform, almost too effortlessly, like show-biz pros. Even the director Oliver Stone, who is hardly known for spoofing himself, does so with some glee as he discusses conspiracies to the White House. Ross said from the outset he intended to use real

television commentators and correspondents, and wrote them into the screenplay. He said he went to last year's White House correspondents' dinner, and "just started approaching people, and asked them if they wanted to be in the movie." He added, "Everybody wanted to."



Kevin Kline and Sigourney Weaver as the presidential couple in "Dave."

The idea of using real politicians, on the other hand, came later. After bearing the plot details, most readily agreed to appear, Ross said. These are not, after all, shy or

retiring people.

He added, however, that be was surprised at how many wanted to do it. "I think they enjoyed a chance not to take themselves so seriously." Ross said. The journalists received about \$1,000 a day, Ross said.

and the politicians received scale wages and donated the money to charities. Although he is an unabashed liberal, Ross received the

cooperation of Anna Perez, press secretary for Barbara Bush, in researching the details of the White House. (Perez is now a spokeswoman at the Creative Artists Agency in Ross's life has always revolved around movies and

politics. He grew up in Studio City, a Los Angeles suburb, the soo of Arthur Ross, a screenwriter ("Creature From the Black Lagoon," "Brubaker," "The Great Race") and Gail Ross, a speech pathologist.

Ross's elder sister, Stepbanie, is a civil rights lawyer. His

wife, Allison Thomas, worked in President Jimmy Carter's White House and now runs a public relations company here that specializes in the computer industry. Ross wrote speeches for Governor Michael S. Dukakis during his presidential campaign.

Ross began writing novels in high school and later at the University of Pennsylvania. He dropped out after three

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"I went down to South Carolina to work on a fishing boat because I thought that's what you had to do to be a writer." he said with a laugh. "It's a cliche. Embarrassing. It was an ersatz bad Hemingway trip. I was out to catch a big fish. I caught a lot of little ones and got a lot of sun."

He returned to Los Angeles and began writing screen-plays. His first substantive effort was "Big" (1988), which he wrote with Anne Spielberg. The film, about a 12-yearold boy who turns into a 30-year-old man, was a fantasy, like "Dave," and a critical and financial success. He then began writing "Dave."

Ross spent more than a year and a half on the first draft of "Dave," and then tossed it out because the hero seemed too passive. He rewrote it to make Dave a fairly aggressive. guy, as well as a very decent one.

"Pobtical movies have to have the right point of view," said Ross, whose next film, "A Couple of Points," is about a gubernatorial race in California. "It helps to be familiar with that world. It helps to have the right kind of hero. Those films in the 1930s succeeded because they understood what the right hero was; they weren't afraid of.

"The worst thing I hear about 'Dave' is that it's too sweet," he said, "I'll take that criticism. Or some people say it's blindly optimistic. I'll take that, too. I'm not naive about politics. But if this movie serves as a reminder that politics ought to be, like Dave, uncynical, then I'm really happy. That's the point. It should be uncynical."

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On Tipper Gore's Bus:

Close-ups of Campaign Instant history. Tipper Gore didn't just spend the campaign campaigning. She was also keeping record, snapping photos of presi-dential candidate Bill Cinton and vice presidential candidate, her husband Al to capture the cam-paign's "enthusiasm and excite-ment." Campaign history buffs others abstain -can view 40 of her photos in a show at the Woodrow Wilson House in Washington.

Brandon Lee, 28, who was accidentally killed on the set in March. will nevertheless be the star of "The Crow," according to the movie's producers. Production was halted after the actor, the son of the late Bruce Lee, was shot to death. "What I can tell you is that Brandon will be in the film. He remains the main character," a spokesman said.

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On this one, the White House spokesman George Stephanopou-los isn't speaking. His romance with actress Jemnifer Grey of "Dirty Dancing" fame moved into the spotlight last weekend when he brought her to the Oval Office to see Bill Clinton deliver his weekly radio address. "He's very upset about all the publicity," a White House insider said.

Garth Brooks made it three in a row as entertainer of the year at the Academy of Country Music Awards in California. Kix. Brooks and Rounie Dunn carned three trophies; Vince Gill was named top male singer and Mary-Chapin Carpenter top female vocalist.

Jeffrey Masson's memory proved a bit fuzzy on the witness stand in San Francisco as Gary Bostwick highlighted quotations the psychoanalyst had once disput-ed in Janet Malcolm's articles in The New Yorker magazine. Bostwick, Malcohn's lawyer, ran through quotations that Masson had challenged. Time and again, Masson denied saying something. only to discover that it was on the tapes and in the transcripts.

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#### WEATHER

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#### THE FURIES

By Janet Hobhouse, 293 pages. \$22.95. Doubleday.

Reviewed by Daphne Merkin

J ANET HOBHOUSE, who died in 1991 at age 41, managed to cram a whole lot of living into her foreshortened existence. The impression one gathers upon reading "The Furies." her posthumous memoir-cum-novel, is that she led the sort of epic life that should have made for great fiction. By dint of intelligence and drive. Hobbouse willed herself upward from a disheveled childhood and a depressive mother into the wider spheres of an Oxford education and a cosmopoliran lifestyle, which included beautifully decorated apartments, literary ous men, and devoted friends. She wrote a biography of Gertrude Stein before she was out of her '20s and was the author of three novels — the last of which. "Dancing in the

attainments, love affairs with fam-

Dark," earned her a cult following. Although her lush, almost rococo prose sivile and elegant sensibility earned her somewhat overblown comparisons with Henry James and Virginia Woolf, among others, none of her novels has anywhere near the power of this unmistakably autobio-

The Furies" is a stunning heartbreaker of a book, shot through with a pellucid sadness. It is the same sadness that cuts through Hob-house's novels, underneath their sparkling surface. But perhaps, after

piness - the brittle resolve to enter-

It is as though Hobbouse took the old Wordsworthian precept of "ex-perience recollected in tranquillity" too literally to her artistic heart, and tried to keep her demons at bay through sheer good-hostess charm. What resulted were novels that are well-observed but nonetheless strangely uncompelling. But with this, her least "invented" book, the demons are out in full force, clamoring to be heard.

It is unfortunate but true that catastrophe in life can sometimes move a person's art forward, jolt it out of its stale preconceptions. This all, unmutigated unhappiness is not a is certainly the case. I think, with condition that easily lends itself to Hobbouse's work. The monstrous the inventive energy occessary for detachment gives this memoir a life, city-trapped and economically

free to write from the heart.

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Carver-laconic or Hemingwayspare, in "The Furies," the sentences go on forever. But perhaps because this story of "Helen" the first-person protagonist, transpurently the author) and her attempt to break away from a destructive ma-triarchal legacy is charged with the knowledge we have of the untimely death of its creator, the balance of style and content subtly changes, tips in favor of Hobbouse's luxuriating manner from the first unfettered sentence: "For a long time my mother and I lived such a solitary

the writing of great fiction. One senses always in this writer's fiction owed by the ovarian cancer that thing resembling family or stability.

—as if to ward off that very unhapment of the property of the alerts us that the book was left un- to provide a lovable human unifinished at her death) Hobbouse is verse, that the existence of lorebears, documented in hundreds of

Robert D. Hormats, vice chair

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"Harry Truman usually had to

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Today, the White House has to

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McCullough's "Truman,"

Which isn't to suggest that the photographs — brown as leaves and author's prose has suddenly turned

Hobhouse offers a brilliant, susdog eared, but vivid, stylized, ortained critique of Terence Conran's remorselessly cheerly, speciously nate, above all theatrical - seems to me even now a kind of fairy tale." democratic invasion of interior decoration in the 1970s ("the mindlessly happy decor that slid in place over lar kind of upper-middle-class despair, an "acrobatics of hope and distress along a wire of nerves." unshiftable understructure of class and privilege"). She is also good on the way compulsive con-sumerism can be a sign of mental

duress. When the prolagonist mar-ries her Oxford bean, who suddenly comes into a hefty inheritance, they decorate their new flat with a vengeance: "For a while all we did was choose and acquire: the best wool stair carpets, the most chic wallpaper, the prettiest Italian sofas and lamps, custions and Persian car-. When we were bored we would go shopping; it seemed full of purpose, and somehow blameless." In the end, "The Furies" is a family saga without family, written by a

from substantial backgrounds - in this case, immigrant Jewisb rather than landed Southern — get dis-placed via the vagaries of late and the unkindness of strangers, and never find their looting again. (The men in this book appear only to disappear quickly.) It is a gorgeously constructed book about that most basic of needs, mother-hunger, and about the accompanying sense of fury at the long reach of those very "maternal tentacles." "She owned me," Hobbouse states matter-offactly after recounting her mother's suicide, "because I was her great

Daphne Merkin, a free-ance writ-living in New York, wrote this for the Las Angeles Times.

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